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CHINA PREPARING FOR HSUCHOW BATTLE

All Reinforcements New Brought Into Position

ANTICIPATING ATTEMPT TO BREAK THROUGH Hsueh Civilian Order To Evacuate

H.K. SEAMEN'S UNION OFFICES RAIDED

The headquarters in Connaught Road Central of the Hong Kong Chinese Seamen's Union were raided by the police last night.

Three persons found on the premises were taken to the Central Police Station, questioned and then released, while the offices were thoroughly searched, all papers and documents found being removed to police custody.

The signboards of the Union were removed and the premises locked and sealed.

The raid was carried out by a posse of detectives headed by European officers, believed to be of the Special Branch.

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Reason for the action is not officially known, but it is believed that allegations of political activity have been made and that the Union has been proscribed by the Government and declared an unlawful society.

The Union has had a similar experience on previous occasions.

Two detectives were posted on the landing of the building, No. 42, Connaught Road Central, this morning.

POLICE COURT SEQUEL

A sequel to the police raid on the premises of the Hong Kong Chinese Seamen's Union took place at the Central Police Court this morning, when on the application of Chief-Inspector John Murphy the furniture, documents and signboards of the Union were ordered to be confiscated by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Magistrate.

Troop movements and bringing up of reinforcements along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, in south-west Shantung, has practically ceased on both the Chinese and Japanese fronts, and the Chinese are now engaged in strengthening and extending their lines.

The commander-in-chief of Chinese troops on the Shantung front, General Li Chung-jen, is said to be directing operations personally on the east flank near Linchih.

The Chinese are obviously anticipating a Japanese attempt to break through to the Lunghai Railway, and are concentrating their forces in this sector, although fortifications are being thrown up with great rapidity in the Tsining district near the Imperial Canal, in order to check a Japanese thrust towards the west.

A second line of fortifications and anti-tank pits is in process of construction further south, so that even should the Japanese succeed in forcing their way through the Chinese front lines near the Imperial Canal, they will still have to take the second line before arriving on the Lunghai Railway—their prime objective.

Preparations for defence of Hsueh, junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lunghai lines, are also progressing rapidly.

POPULATION ORDERED OUT
The mountain crest and hill-tops round Hsueh have been

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SUBMARINE ATTACKING DESTROYER

Malta, To-day.

A British steamer, which arrived in Malta yesterday, reported having sighted an unidentified submarine attacking a destroyer in the western Mediterranean.

Result of the attack is unknown but French destroyers are reported to be searching the area for the submarine.—Reuter.

ANOTHER S'HAU LEADER ASSASSINATED

Shanghai, To-day.

Yang Foh-yuen, member of the Shanghai Civic Association and close friend of the late Lo Peh-hong, was assassinated as he was entering his home in the French Concession yesterday.

His assailant, as yet unidentified, fired three shots at Mr. Yang's head from behind.

The murder is one of a series of crimes involving members of the Association.—Reuter.

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BRITISH AGENT ESCAPES IN HEAVY AIR RAID

Salamanca, To-day.

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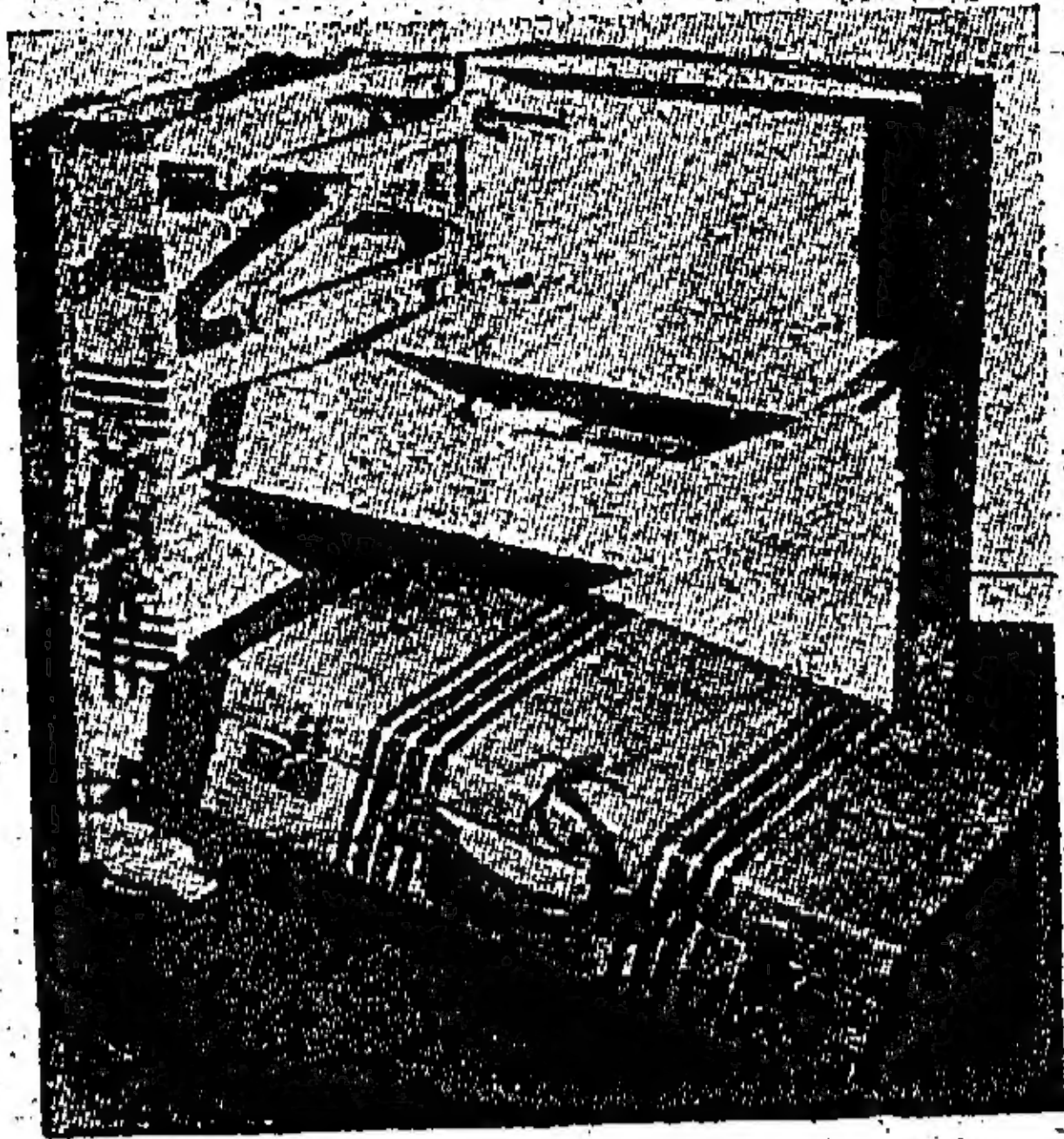
The British Agent, Sir Robert Hodgson, with members of his staff, narrowly escaped when the hotel windows from which they were watching the raid, were shattered by a bomb.

As far as is known, nine are dead and a score wounded. There were no British casualties.—Reuter.

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Now's The Time To Smarten Your Luggage

Now that your home leave is approaching and the spring sales are on it is a good time to consider the important question of luggage. Whether you are the kind of person who ventures far afield to the beauty spots of Europe or beyond, or whether you confine your travelling activities to odd week-ends and jaunts into the country, you will need to be equipped with some of the up-to-date suitcases and trunks. No matter how you prefer to travel—by air, road, rail or water—you will be able to find just the right kind of trunk or suitcase for your purpose.



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Striped Trunks Are A Boon

fit into almost any odd corner, and they weigh as little as four and three-quarter pounds each.

This question of weight is a very important one, even if you do not intend to travel by air. It is as well to remember that you may have to do a good deal of lifting and carrying yourself—especially on country journeys, and that therefore even an ordinary suitcase should be chosen with this in mind.

Do you remember how in the old days shoes, however important and

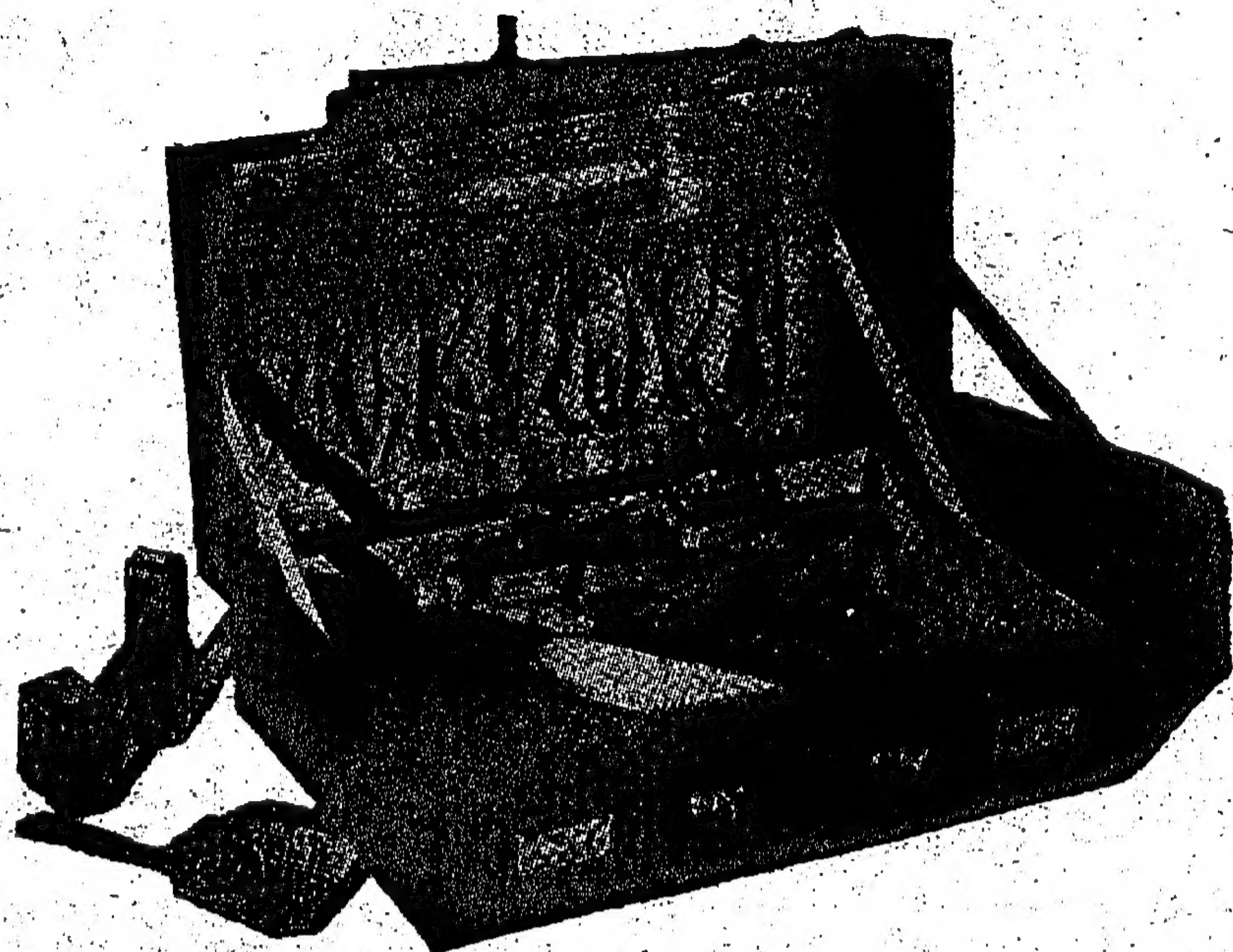
Nowadays all this is changed, and for very little it is possible to buy a suitcase specially designed for holding shoes—or a hat-box with adjustable and removable compartments round it for shoes.

Even wardrobe trunks have improved upon their previous excellence, and can be bought now with hangers inside on a movable stand.

And here is an idea that is well worth keeping in mind, even if you do not contemplate buying new luggage but are hoping to improve

that which you already possess. Remember that when you are travelling it is a very great boon to be able to distinguish your belongings easily and at a distance. Therefore, when you are choosing new trunks and cases, consider well the advan-

tages of having bright stripes on them. You can see by the illustration on this page how attractive these can look—and, of course, you can have them painted on your trunks and suitcases at very little cost.



Nursery Tyrant

Selina is a tyrant. She is four and has two brothers. She is a power in the house, and she knows it.

In public places she is bribed with promises, sweets, and treats if only "she will be a good girl and behave nicely."

At home she is well aware that screams, kept up for an indefinite length of time, will produce results which are satisfactory to her. Screams mean that she can have the tricycle for the whole morning, eat the last piece of cake at tea time and never "take turns."

Anything to keep her quiet has become the family attitude to Selina.

Children are never too young to learn. It is little use to say "Selina (at four) is getting more and more spoilt" or "John cries for everything he sees."

Selina and John should have recognised discipline at a month old, and have learned by this time that nothing ever came by crying for things.

Habits of self-control begin in the cradle. A month-old baby recognises authority and soon learns obedience. Before she walks she can be reasonable in illness and cheerful in the face of her own small troubles.

If the tyranny has already begun, force is useless.

You say "Come here" to a defiant three-year-old. She refuses. To pick her up and bring her is the simplest thing. Mother wins because she is bigger and stronger. But only because she is stronger.

The nursery tyrant does not learn obedience by methods like these... she merely learns that her mother is stronger than she is—a fact she already knows. And some day she won't be.

It may be troublesome to wait and patiently insist till the child comes when she is told, but it is worth while.

SPOILT CHILD

There is many a household completely dominated by a spoilt little creature of three or four who harasses his or her parents and reduces brothers and sisters to a kind of minor slavery.

Parents spending much labour in looking after a child's innumerable physical needs, often forget or fail to teach her the most important thing of all—self-control.

She goes uncorrected because she is "such a little thing." She is indulged because of her charming ways.

It is well to remember that a willful child at two is amusing; at four she is a nuisance; and at seven she is intolerable.

"When icing a cake, a little flour sprinkled over the top before the icing is applied will prevent it running down the sides."

NURSERY DISCIPLINE

A tyrant in the nursery is unfair to the rest of the family.

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What a pageant it is this year, that of fashions! What was popular last year is repeated—but with, or, what a difference! The difference serves to eliminate from the wardrobes of the fashionably inclined all the sartorial survivals of the 1936-7 season.

Slacks, for instance, this year must be flat in front, without the pleat formerly de rigueur, or with these stitched down, and the newest models just cover the knees. Shorts in some cases almost reach the knees and are circular; in others one sees those that have grown straighter and narrower than last year's models and snigger at the waistline, and sometimes they wear hip yokes. Beach coast tend to be either shorter than the princess style of last year or longer than the wraps that ended where the suit did. The slogan is, "Continued but different."

Bathing suits for those who haunt the ship's pool, will favour dressmaker styles and fabrics, presenting draped bodices, inset girdles, tucks, gathers. They will be executed in patterned sharkskin, spun rayon, lacquer-patterned satin are offered this season as alluring jersey, and many novelty fabrics

in which "Lastex" is interwoven. The real swimmer will, of course, continue to demand maillots of knitted wool, but her cover-up coats, skirts, capes, robes, overfrocks, will

IT'S STYLISH TO BE DIFFERENT

partake of that strange combination of sophisticated trends and peasant influences.

Deck tennis enthusiasts will want a variety of colourful shirts to top their shorts or their short skirts, and a collection of blazers, sweaters and little jackets.

Passive spectators of deck sports a selection of ensembles as can be



Two cotton dresses for the Tropics. Left: Gaily-printed crash, tailored with the precision of a woollen frock. Right: Black linen with contrasted stitching and a bright-coloured, looped belt. Right—evening dresses of pure silk crepe for patio parties, printed in a many-colour floral design. The low, shirred, back fullness terminates in a brief train.

imagined. They are composed, as a rule, of a straight skirt with a flare or one with a liberally slit hem, a jaunty hipline jacket or bolero, and a coat. Two of these items are made of the same fabric and the third is contrasted. If the coat is lined the lining matches skirt or jacket. Large fantastic hats complement the costumes.

Colours are vivid and, although black and white backgrounds are numerous, the newer effects are wrought by piling colour on colour. Deep pink mounts through fuchsia to crimson; purplish blues pile up mountainously their tones and shades. Yellow is extremely important and so are yellow greens, sea-water green, and Irish green.

Are Business Women Catty?

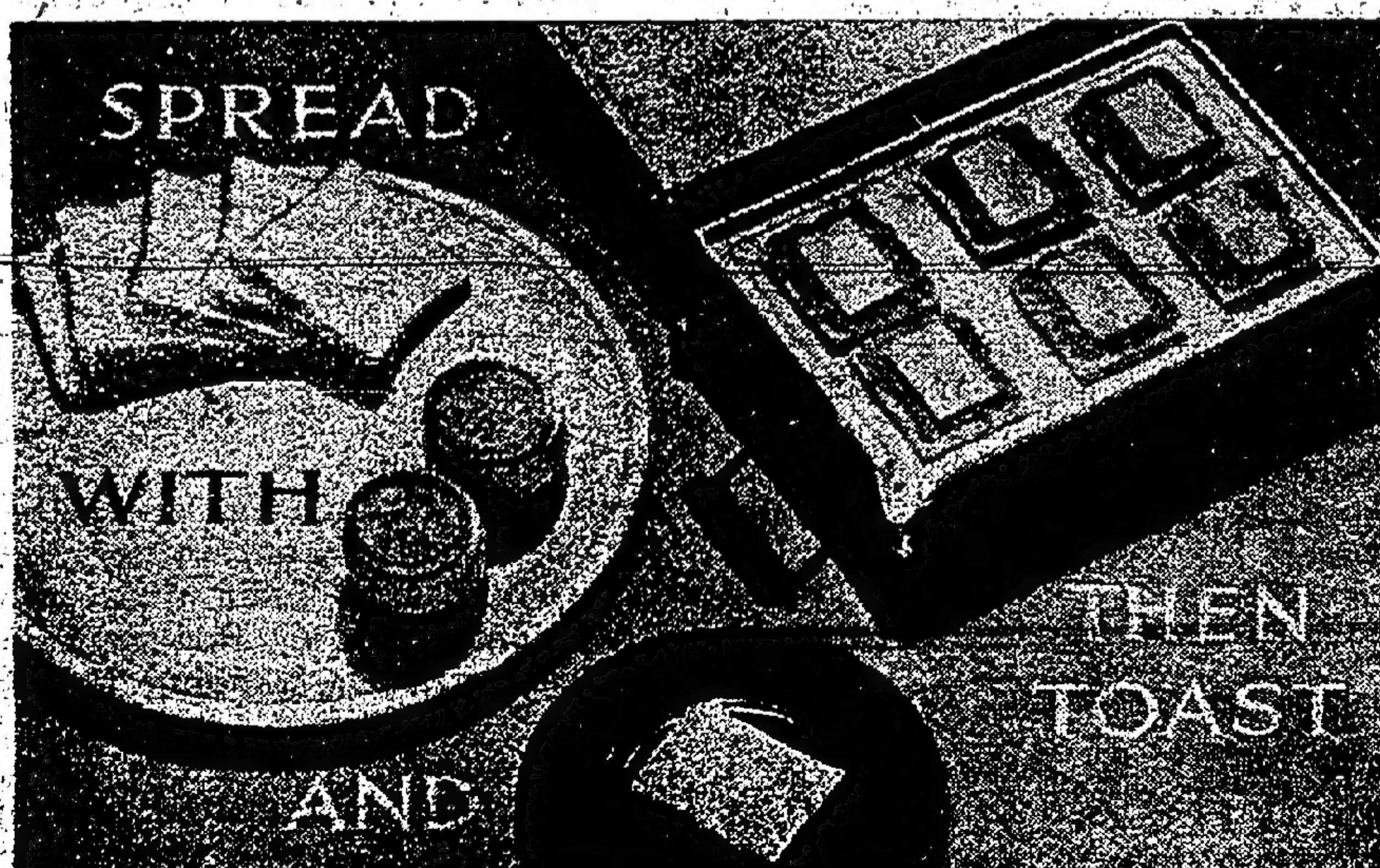
Many business women are "catty," but judging from my own experience the fault does not lie entirely with them. When I first started office work I was keenly anxious to do well, but the head typist found fault with me so unmercifully that I was reduced to a state bordering on imbecility. Fortunately an understanding parent took me away from that office, and since then I have resolutely refused positions which involved taking orders from another woman.

Some years later I was placed in a position of authority over other girls and men, and because of my own earlier experience, I honestly tried to be fair and friendly to everyone, while getting the work done satisfactorily. With beginners I was especially patient, and, I believe, was well-liked by most of them. With those of my own age who had remained on a lower grade, or with others coming from offices where they had perhaps been the only typist or clerk, it was a pretty hopeless proposition trying to combine friendliness with discipline. The men usually resented having to take even the most tactfully worded orders from a woman. Some of the girls were jealous of my salary; others frankly thought me queer in the head to be really interested in the business.

Let any woman work long enough in an atmosphere of hostility, hearing subdued whispers of "Old Miss Sourlemon," "So-and-so is one of her pets," "job stealer," "Thinka herself clever," "Too pally with the Chief," etc., and unless she is of the stuff that saints are made of, sooner or later she will live down to some of the labels bestowed upon her.

OUR MISS X.

THESE HOT SANDWICHES CLAMOUR FOR COFFEE



Cheese in a hot sandwich behaves always with aplomb, poise and perfection.

A pot of deviled ham, with sliced cheese and a bread of your choice, sets a good example to all hot sandwiches. Toast them, of course.

A fried sandwich is toasted and buttered in one operation. Sandwiches and coffee get any party a great big hand. Men like a man's sandwich. So have them set up with mustard, and the like.

Try a hot chicken sandwich on baking-powder biscuit. And garnish with sauce or gravy. It's a meal.

And now for afternoon frocks. The trend began last year and has been diligently fostered, so that they play an important role in the current collections. No longer it is correct to live in sports clothes until dinner introduces formality. These five-o'clock frocks are softly fashioned of silks, rayons, mixtures, light wools, printed and plain crepes and novelty cottons and linens. A knitted linen is particularly crush-resistant, and sheer linens are admirably suited to the tropics. Floral and geometric prints are present and tucks are worked into the designs, while intricate pleatings, hand-fagoting, embroidery, contrasted talon slides, ornamental closings on belts and necklines, and decorative buttons give the surface interest which fashion sponsors at this moment.

The dress is almost invariably furnished with its jacket. This may be fitted or boxy or a bolero and is always contrasted. Printed sleeves on jackets made of plain-surfaced fabrics, are new and seem to have been suggested by the fur sleeves which cloth coats for northern wear are disporting.

Star Spangled Hours

Although dinner dresses and suits may be tailored, the favourite formal evening frock is romantic. It carries a skirt of great fullness at the hem, fullness which may be introduced in gathers at the waist or below a hip yoke or at the knees. Chiffon, net, lace, sheer crepe, taffeta, slipper satin are among the favourite materials and such dresses are trimmed with sequins, beads, jet, and add to themselves radiant jackets. Many front décolletages are square and the halter neck, perhaps accompanied by a panel back, has been seen by the writer in a number of collections. The silhouettes often stress back fullness and bustle effects with big bows, gathers or looped trimmings.

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A diamond necklace, lost for 19 years, has been found in a perambulator in a shed in Berlin. The necklace belongs to the Duchess of Coburg, wife of Leopold Carl Eduard, Duke of Coburg and Grandson of Queen Victoria.

All the jewels belonging to the Duke and Duchess were buried during the revolution of 1918. When the revolution was over they were unearthed but the necklace was missing. Now it has been found by a man in the shed near the former hiding-place.

The man did not report his discovery to the police but told his two brothers. The three men went to a jeweller and asked him to value the diamonds. They said they were Prince.

The jeweller, however, became suspicious and informed the police.

The three brothers have now been sentenced in the court of justice at Coburg to five weeks' imprisonment, for not reporting their discovery.

It has not yet been discovered how the jewels came to be in the perambulator.

**GIRL OF SEVENTEEN
PARACHUTIST****First In Australia To
Take The Jump**

Jean Burns, 17-year-old Melbourne girl, is the first woman to make a parachute jump in Australia. She descended from a height of 3,200 feet at the Essendon Aerodrome, near Melbourne states the "Evening News."

Miss Burns, who is also one of the youngest pilots in the country, made a slow descent to a paddock near the aerodrome, and she was followed by the plane which landed near her.

Miss Burns suffered slight abrasions to her face by being dragged along the ground by the parachute.

"It was great," she said. "The first plunge was breath-taking, but when the parachute opened out I was able to watch my progress and wonder where I was going to land. The only time I felt uneasy was when I saw a pool of water and thought I was going into it."

**CABINET TO
MEET**

London, To-day.

The first of the usual Wednesday meetings of the Cabinet since Parliament adjourned for Christmas will be held next week. — British Wireless.

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**LOVE TO WOMAN
HE WATCHED****Private Detective
As Co-Respondent**

A husband who cited as co-respondent a private detective whom he had employed to watch his wife had his petition dismissed in the Divorce Court, states the "Daily Herald."

Mr. Thomas Ridd, a shipping clerk, of Burwell-avenue, Greenford, Middlesex, asked for a divorce from Mrs. Marie Philomene Irma Ridd, a Belgian subject by birth, on the ground of her misconduct with Mr. Richard Lindsay Rogers.

Mrs. Ridd denied misconduct, and also pleaded "conduct conducive" by her husband, and connivance, alleging that he had left her without adequate means of support, and had conspired with Rogers that he should seduce her.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Bucknill said:—

In 1935 police raided Mrs. Ridd's house in Zeebrugge, at the instigation of Mr. Ridd, who tried to procure evidence of misconduct. Mrs. Ridd then issued a writ in the King's Bench Division for £20 arrears under a deed of separation.

The husband raised the defence that he was not liable because his wife was not living a chaste life. Mr. Justice Greaves-Lord held that there was no evidence of misconduct and gave judgment for the wife for £20 and 120 costs.

Mr. Ridd met the co-respondent Rogers at the office of solicitors who had acted for him, and it was agreed that Rogers should watch Mrs. Ridd.

Rogers went to Zeebrugge and took a room opposite Mrs. Ridd's flat. For a time Rogers reported to the husband, and later returned to England.

Rogers told Ridd that his evidence was not good against Mrs. Ridd.

Two days later Rogers went back to Zeebrugge, thrust himself upon Mrs. Ridd and made violent love to her. According to Mrs. Ridd it was a passionate courtship and she became violently in love with Rogers.

Rogers spoke to her about marriage and promised he would get evidence whereby she could divorce her husband.

This came to rather an abrupt conclusion at the end of September, 1936, as Rogers got into some difficulty with the Belgian police, who interrogated him on a charge that he had taken a Belgian girl to London for immoral purposes.

No charge was preferred against him, and Mrs. Ridd gave evidence on his behalf.

Continuing, Mr. Justice Bucknill said Rogers and Mrs. Ridd came to London.

They went to an hotel where they occupied a room containing two beds. When Mrs. Ridd questioned the wisdom of this, Rogers said: "My dear girl, I am doing this to test you."

"I am satisfied," said the judge, "that Mrs. Ridd committed misconduct with Rogers, but I think there is every excuse for her."

"She was separated from her husband, who persisted in charging her with misconduct. I think she was tricked by Rogers after she was madly in love with him."

"In my judgment Mr. Ridd has connived at the misconduct of his wife."

The petition was dismissed, with costs in favour of Mrs. Ridd.

"300,000 SIAMESE ARMY MAY IMPERIL INDO-CHINA" SAYS FRENCH DEPUTY

Demanding the erection of strong fortifications in French Indo-China, M. Taittinger, Nationalist Deputy, speaking in the Chamber in the debate on the colonial estimates, declared that Siam could mobilise an army of 300,000 men, "which might imperil the position in Indo-China."

Replying to criticism, the French Colonial Minister, M. Moutet, said that the government was not only devoting its special attention to the defence of the French Colonies, but had set up a three year plan entailing expenditure of 800,000,000 francs (about \$5,500,000).

Meanwhile, Action Francaise, the pro-monarchist journal, puts forward the demand that Kamranh Bay, Annam, where the Penang-Hong Kong Imperial air mail calls, be converted into a naval base "as an expression of the community of British and French interests in the Far East."

NO MOBILISATION

During the debate M. Moutet interrupted M. Taittinger's speech to point out that nothing in the nature of general mobilisation had occurred in Siam, which had merely strengthened its army.

That was a matter which could not affect the friendly relations existing between Siam and France and in this connection the minister reminded the Chamber of the agreement recently concluded with Siam.

ORDER OF MERIT FOR FRENCH AIRMEN

A bill to institute an order of "Aerial Merit" is to be presented to Parliament by the Government.

At present the only honour which can be granted to airmen, whether military or civil, is the Legion of Honour; the highest French award. This might be thought an advantage, but actually the number of such awards allotted to the Air Ministry for distribution is extremely small.

The order of "aerial merit" which it is proposed to set up would be comparable with the order of "Merite Maritime" created in 1930, which recompense particularly fine acts at sea.

M. Taittinger then modified his statement by saying that the situation in Siam was being regarded in Indo-China with a good deal of anxiety.

ONLY 18,000 MEN

Japan, added the deputy, was also a near neighbour.

As things are at present, France is relying upon only 18,000 men for the defence of Indo-China and the question arose as to whether such a small force was adequate to meet all eventualities.

M. Taittinger demanded that everything necessary be done to place Indo-China in a stronger position of defence.

Ex-Queen Sends Kings A Circular

Paris, Jan. 1.

All the monarchs of Europe have had a Christmas letter from the ex-Queen who married an ex-police-man.

Dusky Machimba—she was once Machimba I of Moheli, French-owned island off the coast of Madagascar—wants the Kings to help in getting her pension increased.

With the French ex-gendarme whom she married, Machimba lives on a tiny farm in the village of Clery, near Dijon.

Abandoning her lands and crown to the French administration, the ex-Queen received a pension of \$40 a year.

Recently, because of the rising cost of living, this was increased to \$70. But Machimba finds this still insufficient.

She appealed in vain to French President Lebrun. Now her circular has gone round the courts of Europe—including Britain's—appealing to the "solidarity of all European monarchs."

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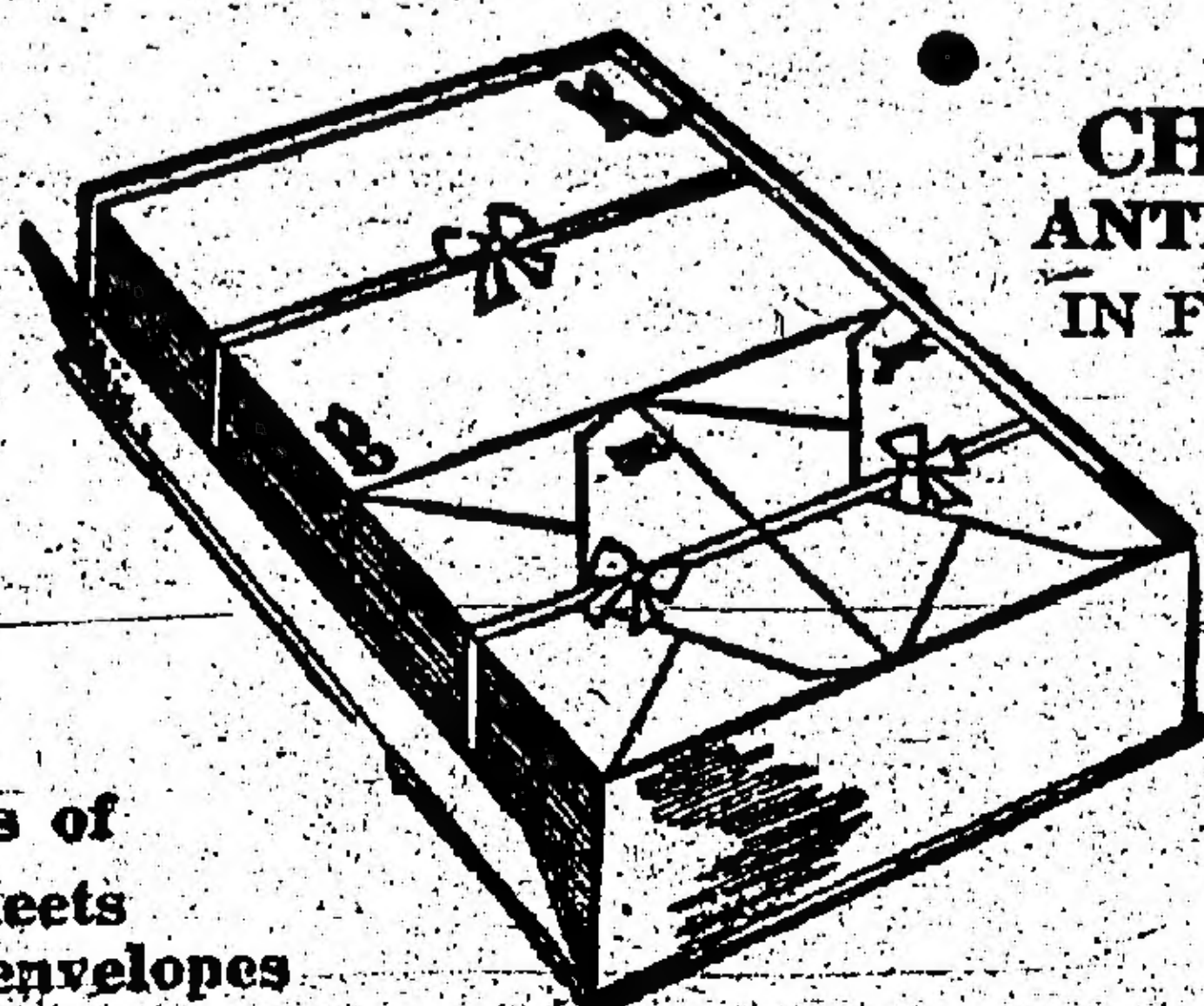
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FILIPINO ECONOMIC BOYCOTT ACTIVITY: FEAR OF JAPANESE AGGRESSION

London, To-day.

Following the announcement in the Philippine press of the decision of the International Peace Campaign to organise a world boycott of Japanese goods, a British office in Ipo, the Philippines, has received a letter from a Philippine group stating:

"Filipinos and foreigners in the Philippines have organised a Friends of China group to assist the Chinese people in their hour of need.

"Filipinos are thoroughly aware of the danger to their own independence inherent in the aggressive programme of the Japanese militarists, and know that the fate of an independent and democratic Philippines is tied up with the fate of China."

The letter adds that the activities of the group include mass meetings, boycott of Japanese goods and a vigilant counter-offensive against Japanese propaganda. —Reuter.

JAPANESE AGENTS GIVE CHEFOO SCARE

Chefoo, To-day.

Considerable excitement was caused in Chefoo on Thursday when a motor-car flying a large Japanese flag and occupied by a Japanese belonging to the propaganda section of the Japanese army, and three Chinese, arrived here from some point west of the city.

The party, after visiting Wuping, south of Chefoo, held conversations with officials of the local Chinese Chamber of Commerce, but subject of the talks has not been divulged.

After spending the night in a local Chinese hotel, which was strongly guarded, the visitors left for Tsingtao at noon yesterday. — Reuter.

REPLIES TO NOTES OF SPAIN BELLIGERENTS

London, To-day.

The Non-Intervention Subcommittee had before them yesterday the draft of replies to Notes addressed by the two Spanish parties to the International Committee in November regarding the proposals adopted by the Committee on 4th November last.

It was agreed that the draft replies should be transmitted to Governments with a request for instructions at the earliest possible moment.

The Committee resumed consideration of the draft resolution dealing with various portions of the Committee's Plan, namely, withdrawal from Spain of foreign volunteers, recognition in certain circumstances that the Spanish parties possess a status justifying them in exercising belligerent rights at sea, and the restoration and strengthening of the scheme for observation of the Spanish frontiers by land and sea.

They disposed of a number of outstanding questions before adjourning. A further meeting will be held next week.—British Wireless.

N.K.K. TO RESUME SERVICES

Shanghai, To-day.

The Nishin Kisen Kaisha announces that it will resume the service between Shanghai, Tsingtao, Tientsin and Dairen early in February.

The service has been suspended since the beginning of hostilities in Shanghai.

The N.K.K. line was a heavy sufferer as a result of the war, more than ten of their ships being seized by the Chinese for providing booms in the Whangpoo and Yangtze. — Reuter.

BIG LONDON MUSICAL FESTIVALS

London, To-day.

The inauguration of an annual London Musical Festival to provide both for music lovers at home and visitors from overseas, the finest performances of great music of every kind, is the aim of an influential and representative Council which has just been formed, including such well-known musical figures as Sir Hugh Allen, Sir Thomas Beecham, Sir Walford Davies and Sir Henry Wood.

The first Festival is planned for April, 1939, to run for approximately 5 weeks. The whole-hearted co-operation of the most important musical interests of every kind has been secured. The title of the Festival is to be liberally interpreted.

London is to be the centre, but it is intended that other places within easy reach, such as Oxford, Cambridge and Canterbury where music can be perfectly performed in historic and beautiful surroundings shall be included.

In addition to the large and various resources of musical talent available at home, efforts will be made to secure the services of outstanding individual artists from abroad. — British Wireless.

NAVAL "RACE" DECISION

No Steps Likely Until Position Is Fully Clear

Britain Able To Convert To Bigger Battleships

London, To-day.

Regarding the suggestion that Japan is building 43,000-ton battleships, it is understood that conversations between Britain, France and the United States are not likely until the fullest information is obtained.

Unofficial naval observers believe that if the escalator clause in the London Naval Treaty is invoked, it is possible at the present stage of construction to make alterations in Britain's five battleships at present building, in order to bring them nearer 43,000 tons.

Plans also presumably are in existence by which the vessels could be built above the present Treaty limit.

It is learned that the question of greater warship displacement would not be affected by the dimensions of the Suez Canal.

Average depth of the Canal is 34 feet, and H.M.S. Hood, with a displacement of 42,100 tons, has a maximum draught of only 31½ feet.

Beam would not come into the picture as width of the Canal is ample.—Reuter.

TREATY DENUNCIATION

London, To-day.

The Naval Treaty of 1936, which provides for a maximum tonnage of 35,000 tons for battleships will, says the "Manchester Guardian," shortly be formally denounced in order to enable Britain, France and the United States to build larger ships.

The newspaper, which says this information was obtained from semi-official sources in Washington, adds that diplomatic conversations with this end in view have already made considerable progress and that the only question still open is the date on which the Treaty will be denounced.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. David Kelvin-Stark, Cadet Officer Class II, to be Superintendent of Inland Revenue, Estate Duty Commissioner and Collector of Stamp Revenue, with effect from the 1st of January, 1938.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Julius Ring, B.Sc. (Eng.) (Birmingham), F.S.I., Chartered Surveyor, A.M.I. Struct. E., A. I. Mech. E., to be Assessor, with effect from the 1st of January, 1938.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Thomas Black to be Accountant-General, with effect from the 1st of November, 1937.

Mr. Douglas Eric Davis has been appointed to be an Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports and to act as Monopoly

THORPENESS BOMBING CAUSES STIR

London, To-day.

Bombing of the British steamer "Thorpeness," in the course of which four of the crew were killed, is featured prominently in all London newspapers.

The steamer was at anchor in the harbour of Tarragona when a raid was carried out on the town.

She was unloading a cargo of coal at the time.—Trans-Ocean.

REPORT CONFIRMED

London, To-day.

It has been confirmed here that the "Thorpeness" was hit by two bombs in the insurgent air raid on Tarragona.

The owners of the steamer say they have been in communication with the British Foreign Office concerning possible protest to the Spanish insurgents.—Trans-Ocean

HEAVY FIGHTING ROUND TERUEL

Madrid, To-day.

Heavy fighting is continuing around Teruel.

Insurgent aircraft are heavily bombing the Government positions, but the Government state that insurgents attacks on land have been repulsed at all points.—Reuter.

Analyst, with effect from the 22nd of January, 1938.

His Excellency the Governor, under instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to make the following appointment:—Mr. Frederick Flippance to be Superintendent, Botanical and Forestry Department with effect from 20th January, 1938.

JAPANESE CENSORS AND MR. TIMPERLEY

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese censors in Shanghai have held up another despatch to the "Manchester Guardian" by its correspondent here.

It is understood that the British Consul-General is making a further protest.—Reuter.

CHINA'S ONE CONDITION FOR PEACE

London, To-day.

An announcement was made by the Chinese Embassy in London yesterday to the effect that in the Sino-Japanese conflict, China could accept no peace conditions that would in any way restrict her sovereign rights.

All peace proposals from Tokyo that do not comply with this fundamental principle are unacceptable to China.—Trans-Ocean.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following officers to be Official Justices of the Peace for the Colony of Hong Kong:—Mr. Julius Ring, Mr. Thomas Black.

ITALY TO BUILD NEW CRACK LINERS

Rome, To-day.

A new 250,000-ton scheme for expansion of the Italian mercantile marine is announced, involving building of 44 ships in four years, of which 28 will be built in 1938, at a total cost of 1,500,000,000 lire.

A new 16,500-ton liner will be built for the Far Eastern service, replacing the "Victoria," which will be transferred to another service.

Eight new ships, faster than those at present in service, will be built for the South African service, and others for the Central America, South America and southern Pacific services. All will be motor vessels.

Twenty-eight ships will be laid down in 1938.

State subsidies to the shipping combine are expected to total 300,000,000 lire annually.—Reuter.

It is notified that Mr. A. C. Terry, Honorary Consul for Honduras, at Hong Kong, assumed charge of the Honduras Consulate on January 13, 1938.

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BRITISH AIR DESIGNERS ARE LOOKING AHEAD

7 MILES A MINUTE

Aeroplane designers, whose brains conceived the 300 miles per hour Fighters now going into production for the R.A.F., have already considered the next advance in speed.

Mr. A. H. R. Tedden, the principal designer of the numerous classes of Bristol aero engines, expects within the next few years medium bombers with a cruising speed of 300 miles an hour, and "heavies" of 275 miles an hour. One class of military aeroplane, the Fighter, may, within the next five years, reach a maximum speed of more than 425 miles an hour.

Fighters and interceptors are the fastest, and their speed progress may be roughly represented as:

In 1925	1932	1938
155 m.p.h.	240 m.p.h.	300 m.p.h.

The types going into service next year will exceed 300 miles an hour. The exact performance is not yet divulged.

"LIFE" OF A TYPE

About six or seven years is the "life" of a type as standard equipment. The period may tend to lengthen, owing to the greater robustness of all-metal machines and the increasing cost of big-scale replacements.

A decision to adopt any important re-equipment plan depends upon what other countries are doing, and also on financial considerations. Such decisions are a heavy responsibility, calling for technical knowledge and fine judgment, weighing a great number of considerations.

Before a new type goes into production 18 months or two years are spent in the drawing office, the construction of the prototype and its testing, and inevitable modifications.

This trial period was much longer

30-TON SEAPLANE FOR U.S.

A 30-ton naval seaplane is being constructed at San Diego, California, by the consolidated aircraft corporation. It will be larger and more powerful than the pan-American clippers now in operation between San Francisco and Honolulu, which it resembles in general design.

Four radial engines will deliver a total of 5,200 h.p. and will allow a cruising radius of 5,000 miles.

The aeroplane's armaments will consist of forward, midship and aft gun turrets. There will be ample accommodation for a complement of fourteen men.

It is understood that if tests prove satisfactory, the navy department will order a fleet of such monster fighting seaplanes to augment the United States navy air arm.

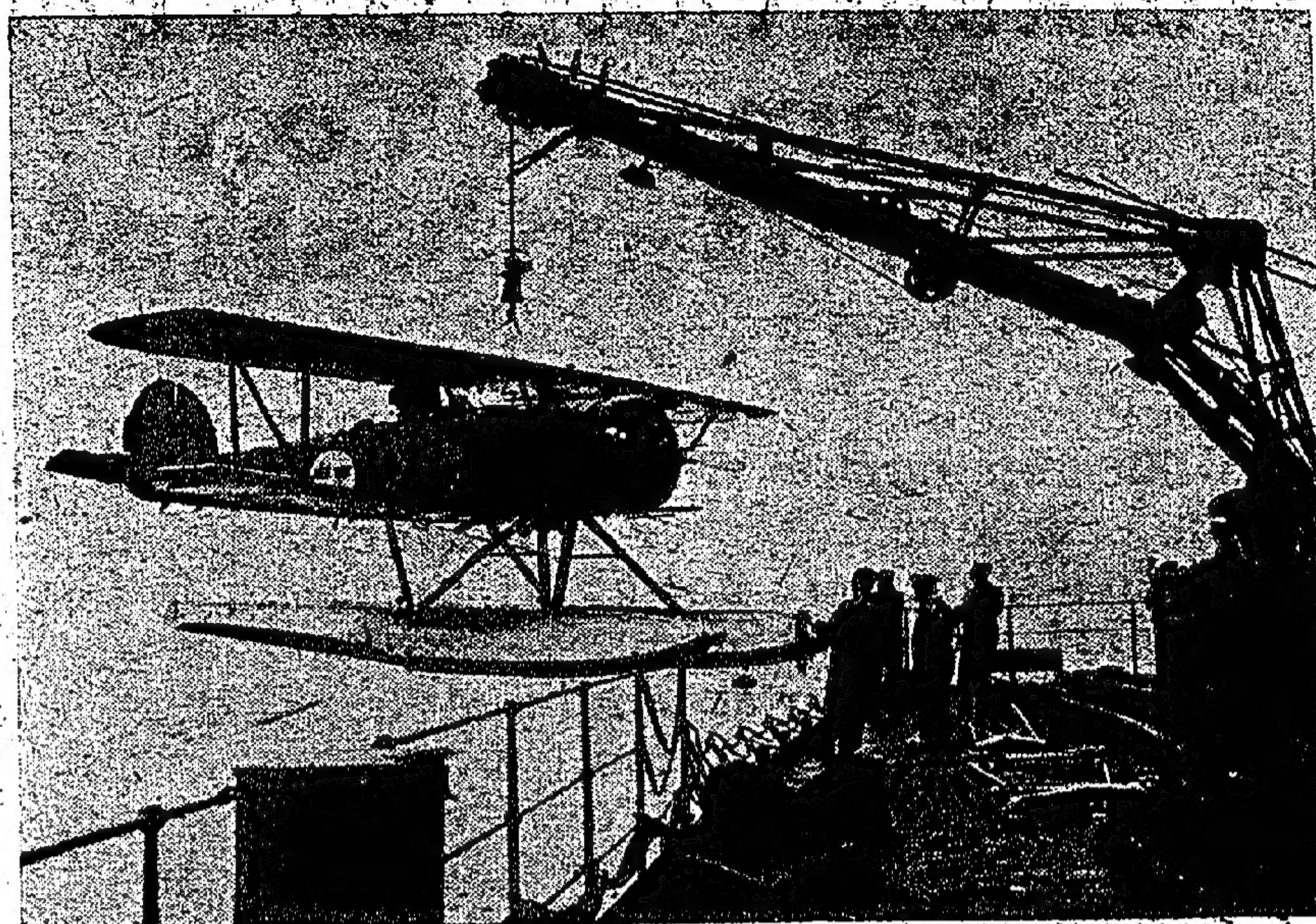
er before the R.A.F. expansion programme. Ordering straight off the drawing-board has of late met with great success, but it does not mean that no modifications are necessary.

SAVING A YEAR

The Air Ministry has effected one important time-saving method. Formerly one prototype machine was built, and the work goes on simultaneously by various experts and committees, each demanding alteration, the work of one in some cases upsetting the plans of others.

Nowadays three prototypes are built, and the work goes on simultaneously, with the result that a year or more is saved.

Although a speed of 425 to 450 miles an hour is foretold as the maximum attainable in the next few years, it does not follow that it will be desirable.



The launching of a seaplane by derrick from the Swedish aircraft-cruiser Gotland which recently visited Falmouth. Eight seaplanes are carried on the vessel, which is fitted with catapult gear. (Fox Copy-right).

German Planes Now As Good As Britain's

Germany's aeroplanes now equal in power and performance, though not in numbers, those of Great Britain and America. France, on the other hand, has fallen sadly behind.

"The grouping and control of French aircraft firms looks like approaching perilously to the appointment of commissars in the Russian fashion," writes Mr. C. G. Grey, editor of "The Aeroplane," in his preface to the 1937 volume of "Jane's All the World's Aircraft."

Speaking of British air rearmament, Mr. Grey says the Air Council, given a free hand, proceeded boldly to order aeroplanes and motors straight off the drawing-board without waiting for the old complicated process of building and testing prototypes.

Several years had been saved by this new, bold stroke, and these were squadrons in the R. A. F. already armed with machines which were among the most deadly secrets of the Air Force only a year ago.

The Shadow Scheme looked like being a huge success, so far as the

output of aeroplanes was concerned, though it might have curious effects on the development of the aircraft industry in years to come.

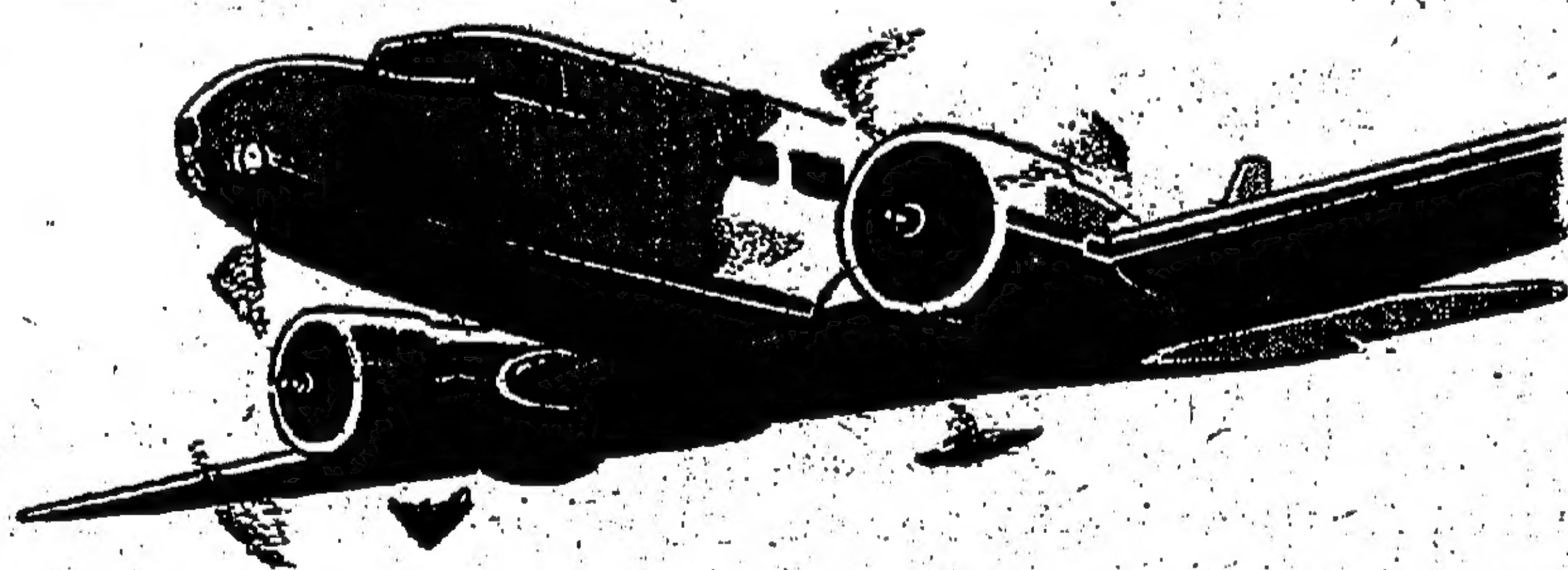
Obsolete Planes

Another possible result might be that five or ten years hence the majority of the squadrons of the Royal Air Force would be equipped with completely obsolete aeroplanes.

A ridiculous situation had arisen a year or so ago, when some of the big and medium American passenger machines were fast enough, if fitted with guns, to chase most of the world's high-speed fighters out of the sky.

Mr. Grey believes that the future of private flying is on the "hire and fly yourself" system.

"Certainly," he says, "Great Britain has carried much greater weight with the nations of the world since other nations have learned that not only are we building up an enormous air force, but that our latest aeroplanes which are just going into production are a little bit ahead of the rest of the world."



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THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

A GERMAN scientist hopes shortly to perfect imitation coal. Too late. Coal merchants have been delivering the stuff for years.

The London "Daily Telegraph" writes:—

The appointment of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr as Ambassador to China means that Great Britain will have one first-class Ambassador in reserve, as it were, at G.H.Q.

Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugesson made a remarkably good early recovery from his wounds. He is a man who has always kept himself very fit. In spite of being shot through the kidney and having a

piece chipped off a vertebra he made such progress that he hoped to be back at work this month.

His later recovery has been slower, and so it has been decided to give him a longer period to convalesce.

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr has not been appointed temporarily, so Sir Hughe will be at the disposal of the Foreign Office for another post.

It is not likely to be long delayed. One of the ablest and wittiest of Ambassadors can ill be spared. Perhaps, however, Sir Hughe will beguile his convalescence with writing light verse, of which he is a master.

His best effort, I believe, was written shortly before he was shot.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S HOLDING COMPANIES ATTACK

Working Out Plans For Advisory Economic Groups

CONDEMNATION CONFINED TO THE NON-OPERATORS

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, at a press conference yesterday, clarified his view on holding companies by restricting the attacks made last week to non-operating utility holding companies. He specifically excluded, however, bank stock holding companies, which were not of the management company type.

The President said that recent business conferences had been helpful in clearing the atmosphere.

Questioned as to the prospect of his new advisory group, the President said he could not give facts but he and his recent visitors had been trying to work out ways and means for various economic groups to get together and exchange information.

CREDIT EXTENSION

The President revealed that the question of extension of credit and new investment facilities was discussed at the advisory council meeting.

He added that businessmen with whom he had talked so far, were learning to see matters from a national viewpoint and not only from the standpoint of their own problems, and intimated that this was distinct progress.

BRITISH MODEL

Asked to comment on the resentment of some Labour leaders over his suggestion that Unions should publish their finances, President Roosevelt suggested that it would be worth while for everybody to study the British Trade Union system.—Reuter.

BOMB USED IN GREAT WAR KILLS 3 IN 1937

A bomb used in the Great War which failed to explode at the time has now caused the deaths of three persons—Rasho Kozaroff, his young wife and seven-year-old daughter.

Kozaroff, a peasant living in the village of Enima, South Bulgaria, was ploughing his fields shortly after the War when he picked up the bomb. He succeeded in removing its pointed nose containing the charge.

Some years later he decided to fix this on the end of the goad he used for urging on his oxen. Recently he wished to remove it so as to replace it on a new goad.

While he was trying to get it off with a hammer the charge exploded and Rasho, who was aged 32, and his wife and daughter who happened to be near, were seriously injured. All three died later in hospital.

THIS WEEK ON THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Messrs. G. A. Harriman and Co.'s weekly share report and market review issued at noon to-day states:

We have to record a firmer market during the period under review and although the volume of trading was not very large, prices in nearly all sections showed improvement. A steadier tendency in Manila Mining shares has stimulated interest once again, and we look for more activity in the near future.

Investment counters displayed most strength throughout the week. Star Ferries rose sharply to \$85½ buyers with sales reported at \$86.00 on the announcement of a Final Dividend of \$3.75 per share (making \$5.75 for account 1937) which is 75 cents better than the previous year. Hong Kong Electrics were in demand @ \$53½ after sales at \$52¼/53.00. Hong Kong Trams were also firmer, closing with buyers @ \$14.25. China Lights (old) remained steady at \$10.35. Dairy Farms came to business @ \$24¼ closing in demand at the latter figure. Telephones (old) had enquiries @ \$25½ with sellers asking for \$25¼. Wharves were neglected @ \$114.00 nominal. H.K. Lands and Docks changed hands @ \$31½ and \$28.00 respectively.

Among the minor issues Hotels were done @ \$5.25/5.30. Providents (old) could be placed at \$2.10 and the new shares were sought for @ \$0.25. Entertainments and Construction were enquired for @ \$5¼ and \$1½ respectively. Cements also attracted attention and were in demand at the close at \$13.00.

In the Sterling sections, Banks and Unions were rather quiet and remained unchanged at \$1430.00 and \$510.00 respectively.

The tone of the market at the close is more encouraging.

NOTICE.

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—JEWS SENT TO PRISON

Jerusalem, To-day.

Two Jews were yesterday sentenced to five years imprisonment by the military court for possession of firearms.—Reuter.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: Truth

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, tomorrow Jan. 23rd. will be "Truth".

The Golden Text will be "Thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion and gracious, long suffering and plenteous in mercy and truth." (Ps. 86).

Amongst others, the following citations will be read from the Bible, "Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? Let him show forth out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the Truth. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." (James 3:).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy. "A straight line finds no abiding place in a curve, and a curve finds no adjustment to a straight line. Similarly, matter has no place in Spirit and Spirit has no place in matter. Truth has no home in error and error has no foothold in Truth. At no point can these opposites mingle or unite. Even though they seem to touch, one is still a curve and the other a straight line. Truth is immortal; error is mortal. Truth is limitless; error is limited. Truth is intelligent; error is non-intelligent. Moreover, Truth is real and error is unreal. This last statement contains the point you will most reluctantly admit, although first and last, it is the most important to understand. In Science, Truth is diving and the infinite God can have no likeness. Did God, Truth create error? No! Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? God being everywhere and all-inclusive, how can He be absent or suggest the absence of omnipresence and omnipotence. How can there be more than all?" (Pages 282, 466, 287).

AUSTRIA JOINS IN ANTI-SEMITIC ACTIVITY

Vienna, To-day.

Austria is joining other countries in passing legislation prohibiting immigration of "undesirable Jews."

This is according to the "Reichspost," which says a decree to this effect will shortly be published, in order to keep out Jews expelled from Rumania.

The new decree will also curtail movements of foreigners in Austria.

Tourists will in future have to obtain special authorisation to remain in Austria longer than three months, while foreigners desiring to work in the country will also have to apply to the Government.—Trans-Ocean.

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REMOVAL

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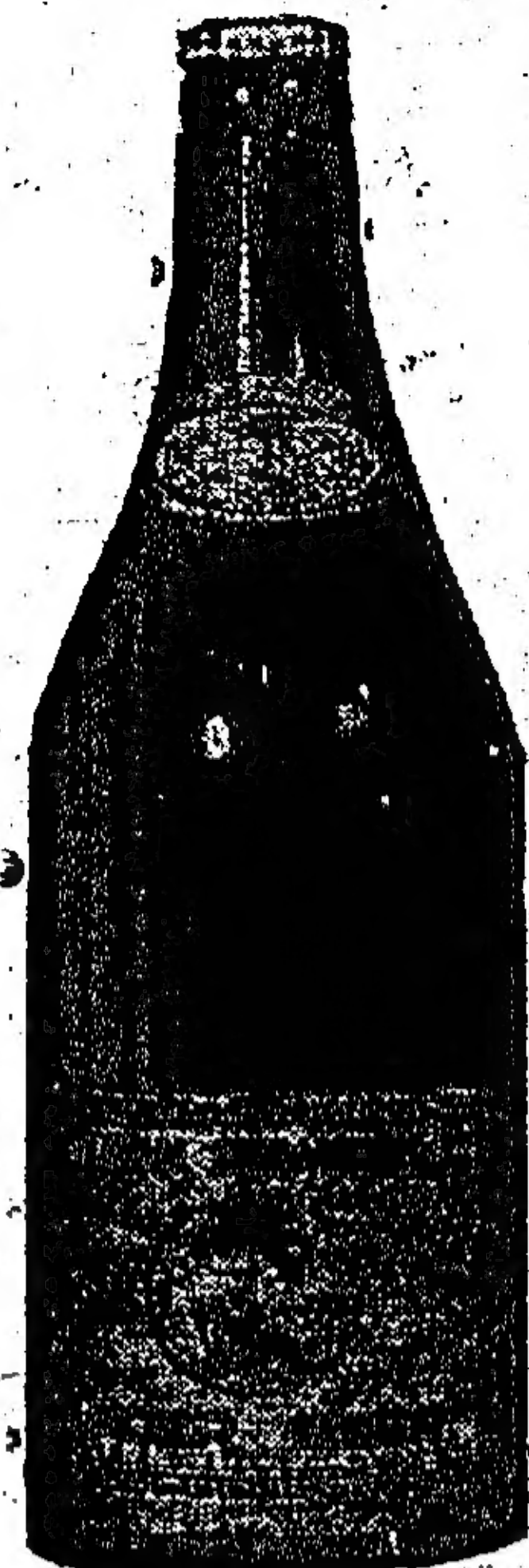
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NATIONAL FITNESS

The announcement that the King is to attend a Guildhall reception in London in connection with the National Fitness Campaign is an earnest of the importance attached in official quarters to the objective held in view by the promoters of the campaign. Seventy years ago, with the watchword *Sanitas sanitatum, omnia sanitas*, Disraeli declared that the first object of government should be the health of the people. But, that is neither the real beginning nor the end for after government has done its utmost, the health of the people still depends on people's will to health. To stimulate that, to abolish the ignorance, carelessness and indifference which limit the use of preventive and curative services is the purpose of the six months' campaign to which leaders of all parties are giving their hearty support. Britain has built up a range of health services which are second to none in the world. They are being extended from year to year. In the last 50 years the death rate has been halved. The expectation of life of a baby has become 19 years longer. Tuberculosis, once the deadliest of diseases, the "white scourge," has now a mortality rate about a quarter of its old record. Such statistics mean not only a saving of life but an advance in physical fitness, in the efficiency and happiness of the nation.

Yet Britain has no reason to be satisfied. Great as the improvement has been, it might have been much greater if full use had been made of the opportunities provided by the extension of the health services and the progress of science had been fully used. It is estimated that in spite of all which is provided to prevent it, physical unfitness costs the country some \$220,000,000 a year. The incidence of many diseases and the incapacity which they inflict are much increased by neglect to consult a doctor in their early stages. That old institution, the family doctor, is of primary importance, and "ask your doctor" and "ask him to time" are golden rules of health. Ante-natal and infant welfare services have proved of incalculable benefit, yet by large numbers of people they are wholly neglected.

Each successive month of the campaign is to be devoted to a different subject. The established health services take up the first five. The last is assigned to the Government's new plans for the improvement of the national physique. When he announced these a year ago, Mr. Chamberlain insisted that the British people could not consider themselves a really healthy nation till we had raised the general standard of development. Our generation is not decadent. Vital statistics prove that. But in the expansion of health services we have been strangely negligent of providing opportunities for physical exercise. One result is that some 70 per cent. of boys and

girls from 14 to 18 have no proper physical training. Under the Act recently passed £2,000,000 is to be spent on playing fields and other means of fitness. The co-operation of local authorities is practically certain. But it will also be necessary to bring home to a section of the public the new opportunities offered and spread appreciation of the benefits which they can confer. Thus the last month of the campaign which is March will be one of the most important. Its potentialities for the welfare and happiness of the nation are great.

P. T. in Hong Kong

It is an easy step from Britain's bid for national health and fitness to the suggestion made by Dr. S. W. Ts'o at the annual prize-giving of the Vernacular Middle School, that the Hong Kong Government should not rest on its laurels in providing physical training in local schools. Dr. Ts'o had a valuable suggestion to make. It was that new recruits to the ranks of qualified instructors be secured locally, by providing a public gymnasium and special instruction for suitable Chinese candidates, who would carry their knowledge and training into the wider sphere beyond the scope of the special P.T. instructors now available to the Education Department. When Britain finds it necessary to pay serious attention to the problem of communal health insofar as it can be influenced by such methods of increasing the standard of physical fitness, it is scarcely necessary to stress the value to be gained by increased emphasis in local schools. The need is infinitely greater and the means, at present, lamentably inadequate. As Dr. Ts'o pointed out, playing fields are not available for organised sport for but a few of local schoolboys. P.T. instruction requires much less elbow room and is not less efficient in its primary purpose. His suggestion is worthy of the closest consideration.

London's Green Girdle

It is only two years ago that the L.C.C. set aside £2,000,000 for a scheme of co-operation with other country and borough councils to establish a Green Belt of open spaces round London which should be as accessible from the completely urbanised area as possible. To that provision and local enterprise London to-day owes the preservation of hundreds of acres of downland turf and wooded dale. Since the awakening in 1934, county councils and other authorities in Middlesex and Essex, Surrey and Bucks, and Herts and Kent, have joined in the Green Belt scheme with vigour and generosity. At the end of last year, the L.C.C. had already allotted half its £2,000,000 and 30,000 acres were secured. Since then there have been extensive additions, north, south, east and west, thousands of acres in Middlesex alone. London will not have a Green Belt in an unbroken circle, but is assured of the preservation of much beautiful scenery and of a number of great open spaces from 10 to 20 miles out all round London. The effort which has won this has given a stimulus effective throughout the country from the Chilterns to the sea. Other of the great urban areas in the north and elsewhere have regional committees at work. What co-operation has done round London to save the countryside should be possible elsewhere.

SIX MEN AS STRONG AS A BATTALION

London, Jan. 8.

Mr. Hore-Belisha, War Minister, will shortly announce the most drastic reconstruction of the British Army which has ever taken place either in peace or war.

His ultimate aim is to mechanise the land forces to such an extent that a group of half-a-dozen men will have the striking force of a whole battalion.

He aims at:—

1. Completely equipping half the infantry battalions with machine guns in place of rifles.
2. Obtaining delivery of hundreds of new-type, high-speed tanks.
3. Mechanising all artillery units with "dragons" running on pneumatic tyres, making possible the withdrawal of 8,000 horses.
4. Equipping all Territorial anti-aircraft units with guns, searchlights and sound locators to detect aircraft at the highest altitudes.

Alongside this expansion will be intensive production of anti-tank guns of a new type claimed to be the most effective weapon of its kind yet invented.

TAXI-DRIVER MADE HIS OWN THEATRE

Puppets, one of the oldest forms of dramatic entertainment, are back again.

Remember Punch and Judy? Well, the new puppets are on the same lines, but much more elaborate, and attract an extraordinary variety of "fans."

There is, for example, Charles Tebbutt, a taxi-driver. He has built his own theatre carved his own puppets, and often gives a free performance to amuse his fellow-drivers.

He started making it while waiting in his cab. Often he gives free shows in aid of charities in which taxi-men are interested.

Cliff Hunter, who used to be a member of Henry Irving's staff at the Lyceum, is another enthusiast.

He has given hundreds of puppet shows, and he should be an expert, because there is very little he does not know about theatres. Once he was a call-boy at the Walthamstow Old Vic; he toured with the Melvilles and other famous players, and during the war he toured behind the line as a member of "The Night Birds."

He collects bits of panelling from old theatres when they are being pulled down, and builds the pieces into his own miniature stage.

He had just "collected" a few hits from Daly's, now almost levelled to the ground.

1,500 SHOWS YEARLY

Bruce MacIoud, another member of the puppet circle, travelled round the world three times with "Punch and Judy" and other puppet and shadow shows.

And then there is Uncle Mac, of Bournemouth, who gives about 1,500 shows on the beach every year. Last week he gave 60 free shows at the annual exhibition of the British Puppet Guild at Leicester-square.

Young Briton Reveals Secret Of 3,000 B.C.

London, January 7.

What is expected to prove the most sensational Egyptian tomb discovery since that of Tutankhamen was made yesterday by a young Liverpool man, Mr. Walter Emery.

Digging in a well-known early cemetery, already worked over by many archaeologists, he came across what appears to be the tomb of the earliest Pharaoh, Menes, who lived 5,300 years ago.

Parts of the early history of Egypt will have to be rewritten in the light of this discovery, for until now it has been conjectured that Menes was buried at Thinis, an obscure city near Abydos.

YEARS OF STUDY

The enormous tomb of Menes with its amazing finds—the large variety of seals inscribed with black ink, the huge collection of exquisitely worked vases, and the beautiful painted pottery—offers

material for years of study.

It should fill out many blanks in the life of a ruler in the dawn of history who united Upper and Lower Egypt and diverted the Nile to build his capital of Memphis.

Mr. Emery adds to what is already a European reputation. For some seasons he has been working at the Pyramids of Sakkarah—near which the tomb is.

LIVE IN DESERT

He and his wife live in the desert there, in the only "European" house for miles around.

He has had the courage of his belief that modern scientific methods would yield results in well-explored districts, even though he had to work single-handed.

The discovery last season of the only known tomb of a noble of the First Dynasty proved his theories to be right.

UNITED STATES MILITARY STRENGTH

"If hostilities broke out tomorrow, the United States could immediately have at command 300,000 men, 30 days later 500,000 and after four months 1,230,000," declared Colonel Johnson, Assistant Secretary at the War Department, writing in the Coast Artillery Journal.

Colonel Johnson recalled that in 1917 300,000 were mobilized, but that four months later only 550,000 could be equipped.

Interest shown by the press in military matters is also revealed in an article on air bases which appeared in "The New York Times."

The journal declared that the first air base in Alaska will be equipped in the very near future.

Another air base in Alaska according to the journal, will be constructed at Sitka, where a squadron of six patrol planes with a long radius of action has been posted for the last two months.

The paper announced that a base will be built later at a Kaiak Island, where the Navy Department recently purchased land surrounding the Baie des Dames.

In conclusion, "The New York Times" declared that it is possible that other bases will be established in the Aleutian Islands.

ELECTRIC FIRE THE CAUSE OF DEATH

Suggestions about the guarding of electric fires were made by Mr. Charles Webb, the Brighton coroner states the "Evening Standard."

He recorded a verdict of Death by Misadventure on Miss Gertrude Margery Cunningham, aged 45, a music mistress at Roedean, who died after her clothing caught fire in her home in Beaconsfield Villas, Brighton, on December 15.

Miss Cunningham was a pianist and had frequently broadcast. She was found dead on her bedroom floor by Mrs. Maud Button, the occupant of a flat in the same building.

"I tried to push open the door, but could open it only a little way," said Mrs. Button at the inquest. "I noticed that the electric light was still switched on and an electric fire was still burning. Miss Cunningham was lying just inside the door."

* Dr. Ernest Miskin said that death had taken place several hours before. It looked as if when Miss Cunningham's clothes caught alight she tried to smother the flames and ran to the door.

Dr. L. R. Jones, pathologist at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, said that death took place from shock and partial asphyxia following severe burns.

Chief Officer Charles Birch, of the Brighton Fire Brigade, said it appeared that as Miss Cunningham got up from the chair at her writing desk her silk slip brushed against the electric fire and caught alight.

Mr. Webb, recording his verdict, said, "It is perfectly clear that under normal circumstances electric fires are not dangerous."

"Some kind of protection is always fitted, but strands of wire like those fitted in this case, which may protect the elements from danger and give some protection against people passing by are not sufficient protection if a person happens to stand even for a moment or two quite close to the fire in clothing of an inflammable nature."

"I have not doubt that manufacturers will consider whether in the case of these small fires it would not be better to have proper basket guards fitted."

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due at Nagasaki to-morrow at 7 a.m. and leaves for Shanghai and Hong Kong at 2 p.m.

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Gerald Morice, of the Guild, which to-day has 600 members, is an enthusiast who propagates puppetry as other men propagate religion.

"The puppet movement is an international co-operative movement," he said. "We are linked to puppeteers in all parts of the world, and I myself have been all over Europe looking at puppet shows."

EDUCATIONAL PICTURES FOR CANADIAN SCHOOLS

Wild life in Canada and domestic and industrial scenes in various parts of Africa are the subjects of new films just added to the Empire Film Library at the Imperial Institute, South Kensington.

The Canadian film consists of nature studies in the National Parks, the work in the Dominion Royal Mint and a tour of Canada's great mountain playground, Banff, Alberta.

A West African film, "Many Harvests," shews scenes from the Gold Coast—natives beaching their boats after a fishing expedition, repairing their nets and cleaning their catch, the interior of a kraal, soap making and collecting cocoa pods.

"Up Country With A Kenya Settler" deals with the every-day life of a settler and his wife, and another Kenya film consists of tour of a sisal plantation.

Two films from the Union of South Africa deal with the fruit harvests of the Dominion and work in a Modderfontein dynamite factory.

These additions will help to meet the acute demand for Empire educational films made by the 2,400 schools and social centres which are supplied by the Institute's Film Library, but many more are still needed.



Local residents walking along the line after the derailment of the Canton Belle. ("Mail" photo).



An unusual ski-ing picture taken near Banff in the Canadian Rockies. Note the powder snow for which the district is famous. (Fox Copyright).



The crazy Ritz Brothers are shown above in two scenes from their first starring film, "Life Begins At College." They scored such a tremendous hit in subsidiary acts in other musicals that their new 20th-Century-Fox picture is certain to attract.



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The latest addition to Madame Tussaud's famous wax-works is the world's champion ice-skater, Miss Cecilia Colledge, of Britain. Here Mr. Bernard Tussaud is seen putting the final touches to Miss Colledge's model. (Fox Copy-right).

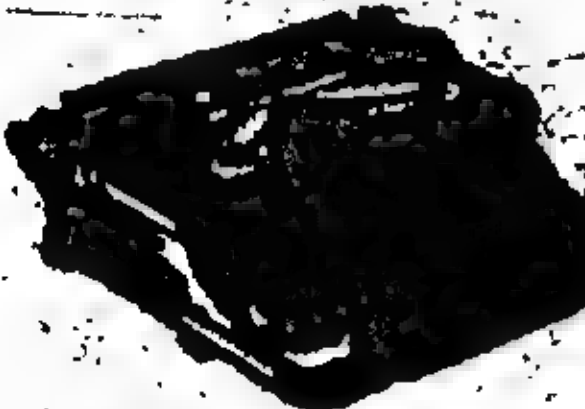
great snowstorms which have swept through Scotland, were lost on the Dungavel Moors in Lanarkshire. This shows a shepherd and dog trying to trace missing animals. (right).

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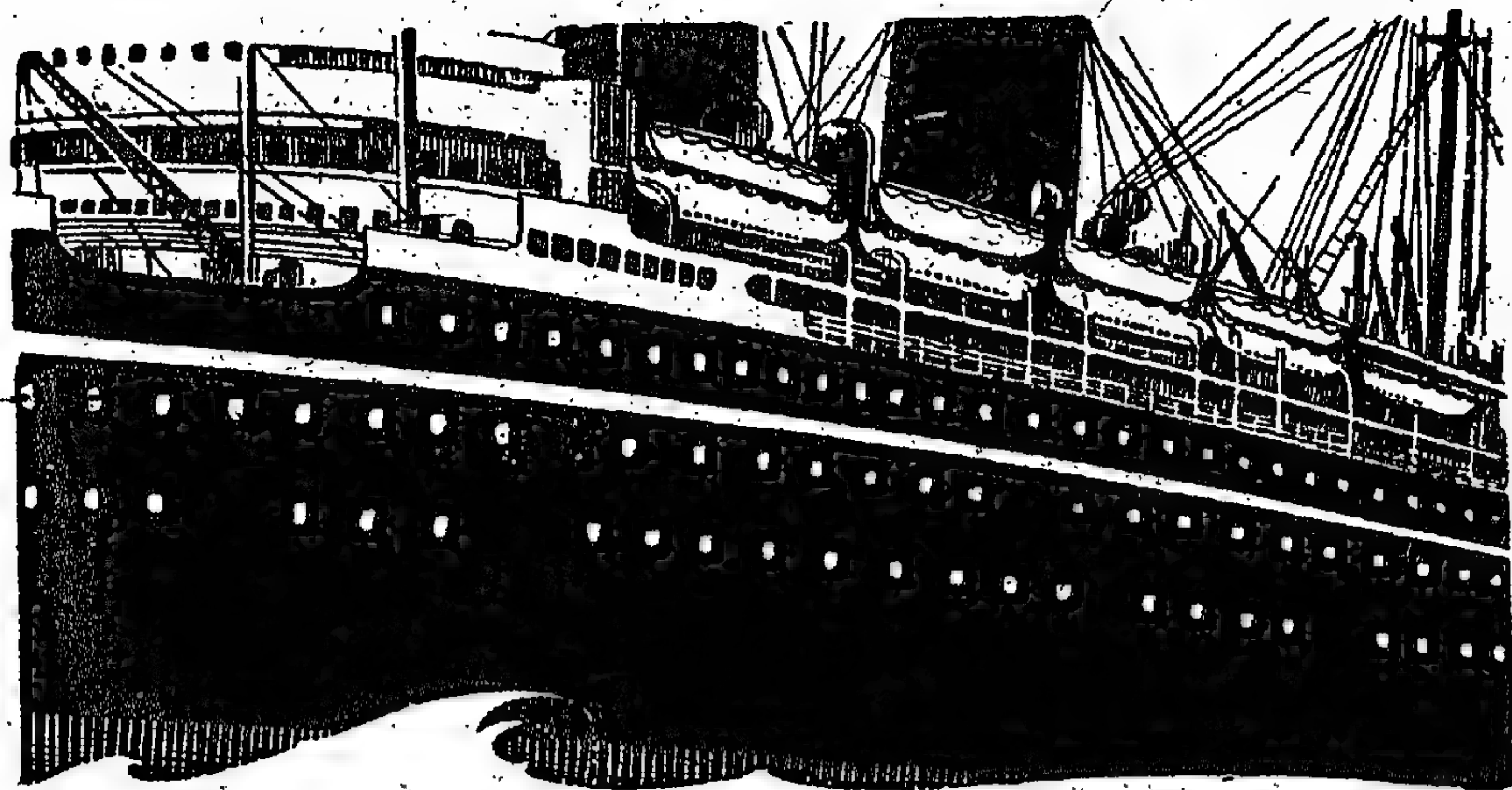
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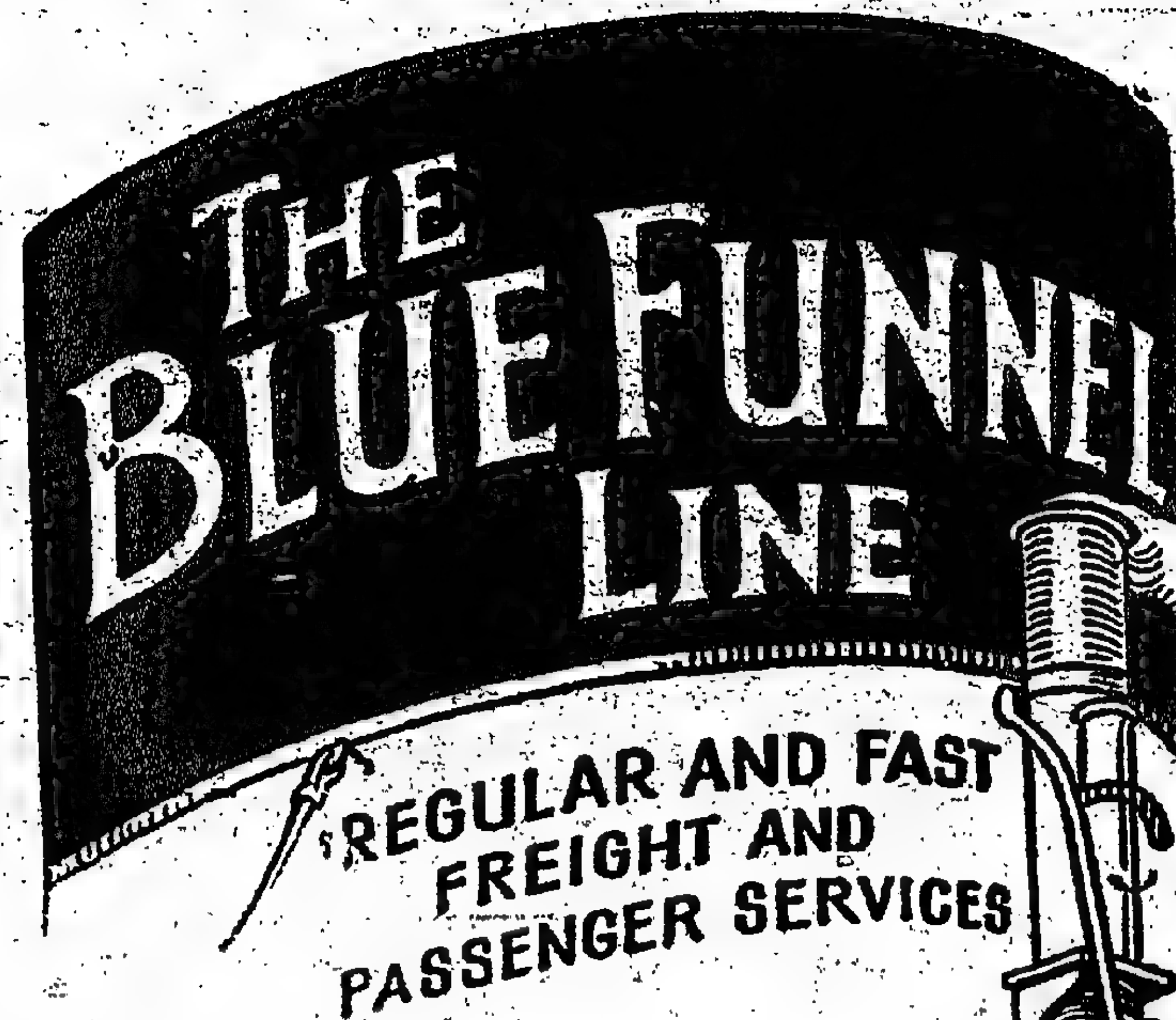
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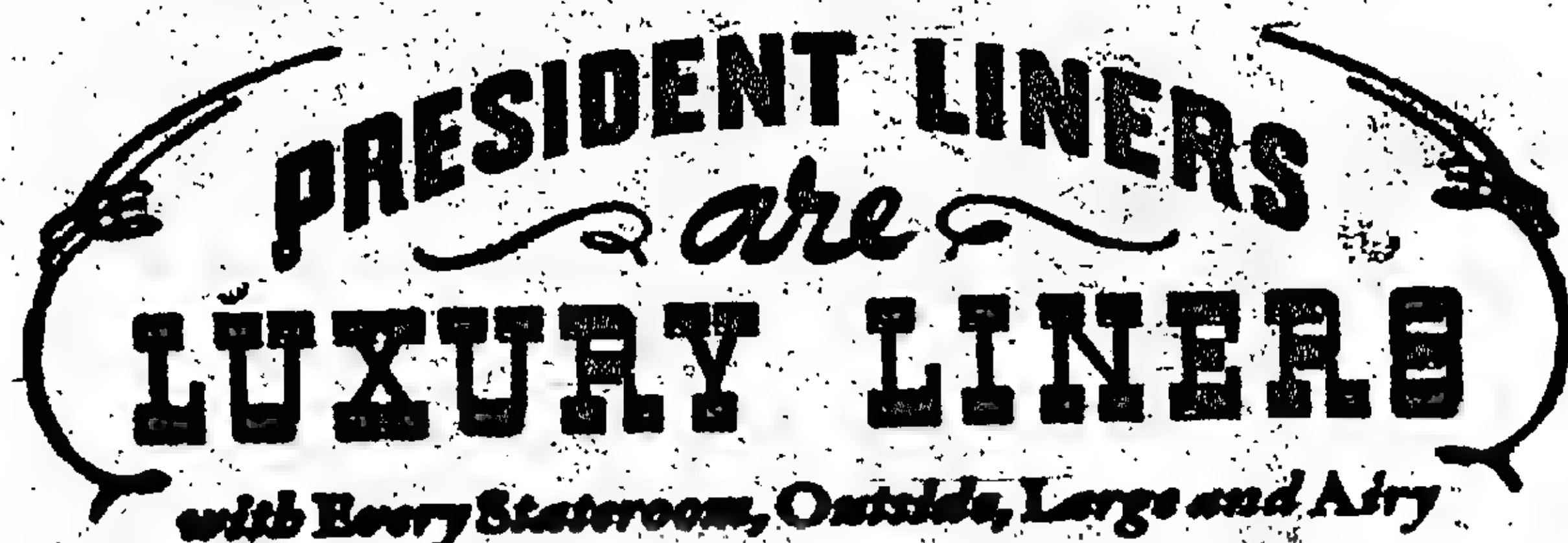
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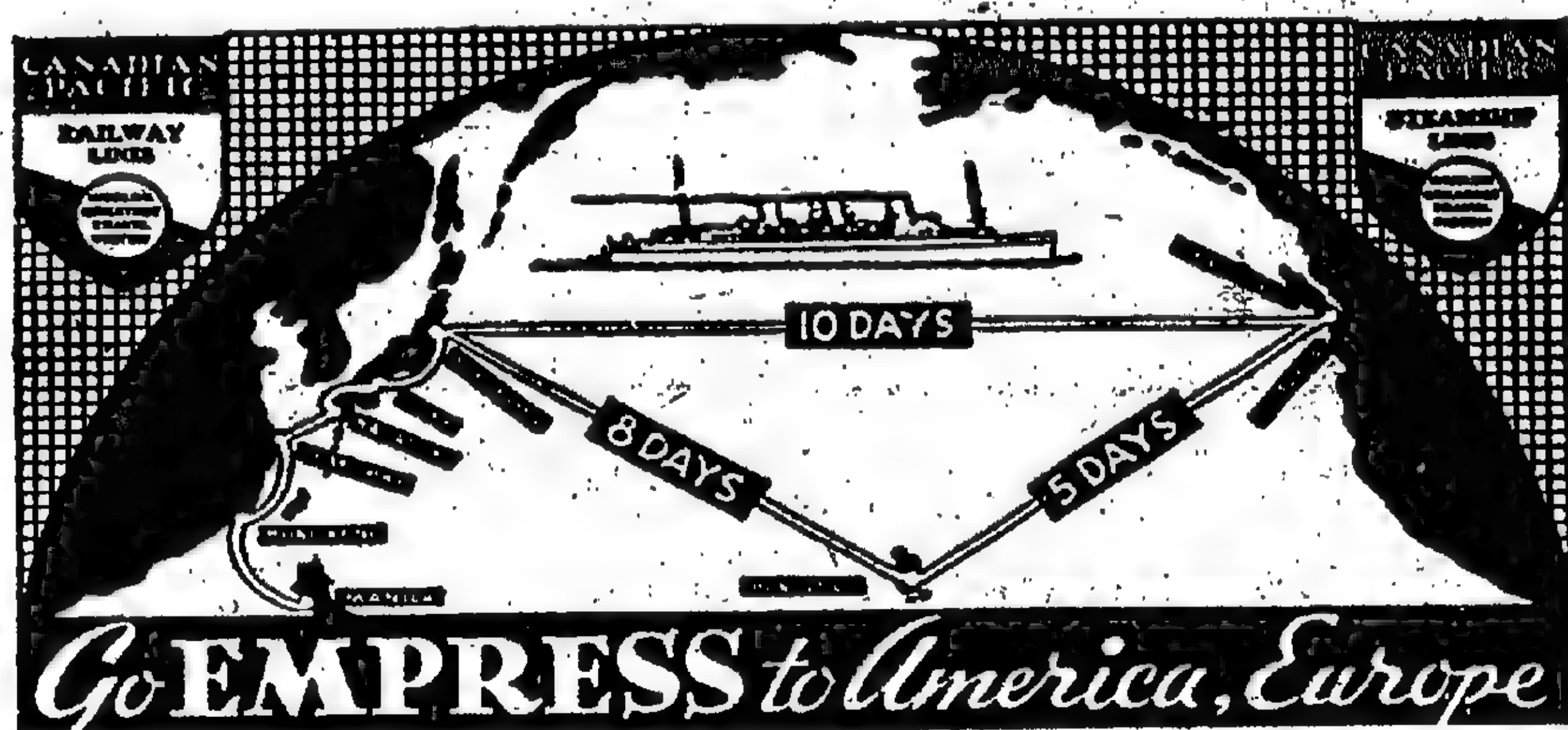
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Machine Gun Troop. Tuesday, 25th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction.

Armoured Car Section. Tuesday, 25th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. A & B Classes—Tests on Stoppages & I.A. C Class—M.G. instruction.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon. Friday, 28th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls. A & B Classes—Practical Map Reading. C Class—Mechanism.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company. Friday, 28th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction. I.A. Recapitulation.

No. 2 (M.G.) Company (Scottish). Thursday, 27th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction. I.A. all positions.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company. Sunday, 23rd January. Personnel detailed in Company Circular 6.1.38 will fire Rifle Table "B" at Stonecutters. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Police Pier at 8.30 a.m.

Monday, 24th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Musketry and M.G. instruction. Traversing.

Thursday, 27th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Class A—Mechanism. Class B—S & A (Gun & Lock). Remainder—Musketry.

No. 4 (M.G.) Company. Wednesday, 26th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.—Drill.

Friday, 28th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction. Recapitulation I.A.

Portuguese Companies. Sunday, 23rd January. Musketry Kowloon City B Range. Fire Table "B". Recruits who have not fired Ball Ammunition will not attend. Firing commences at 9 a.m. Range Officer—Lt.

J. H. Lawrence. Two lorries will take parties from bus terminus to the Range. Tuesday, 25th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

No. 5 (M.G.) Company—Class 1 & 2—Mechanism. Class 3 & Recruits—I.A.

A.A. Company—Lewis Gun Training. Mechanism and I.A.

Company Orderly Officer (week ending Saturday, 29th January). Lt. J. H. Lawrence. In waiting—Lt. H. A. de Botelho.

Orderly Sergeant (week ending Saturday, 29th January). Sergt. H. M. Britto. In waiting—Sergt. M. A. Baptista.

Machine Gun Signals. Monday, 24th January. Sub-section D. H.Q. at 5.15 p.m. Class A—Miniature Range. Class B—Arms Drill.

Friday, 28th January. Sub-sections A & B. H.Q. at 5.15 p.m. Signal training.

Army Service Corps Company. There will be no parade on Thursday, 27th January.

Pay Section. Friday, 28th January. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

R.O.D.C.—Construction Section. Thursday, 27th January. Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Handling Explosives.

PROMOTION & APPOINTMENTS. No. 1732 L/Bdr. H. S. Jones, 1st Battery, A Section is promoted Bombardier—21.1.38.

No. 2568 Gnr. G. S. Wilby, 1st Battery, A Section, is appointed L/Bdr.—21.1.38.

No. 2124 Gnr. A. L. Cole, 1st Battery, A Section, is appointed L/Bdr.—21.1.38.

TRANSFER. Captain A. H. Potts from M.G. Troop to Reserve of Officers—21.1.38.

LEAVE. No. 2101 Private J. I. Barnes, Medical Section—22.1.38-30.11.38.

No. 2614 Sapper G. P. Murphy, Engineer Company—1.1.38-31.1.38.

No. 2928 Gunner C. S. Hui, 1st Bty., L. Sec.—10.1.38-9.1.39.

No. 1896 Private F. E. Lawrence, A.S.C. Company—1.1.38-31.10.38.

No. 1981 L/Cpl. N. Whitley, M.M.G. Pl., returned from leave on 1.1.38.

STRENGTH—DECREASE. No. 1755 Private H. M. Allemao, Portuguese Companies—18.1.38.

No. 2467 Private M. B. Reyes, No. 5

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H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

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(M.G.) Coy., No. 12 Platoon—19.1.38.
No. 2532 Private J. M. Milln, M.M.G. Platoon—21.1.38.
No. 2475 Private E. B. Roza, Portuguese Companies—21.1.38.
No. 2438 Private G. V. F. Roza, Portuguese Companies—21.1.38.
No. 1775 L/Cpl. L. A. da Roza, Portuguese Companies—21.1.38.
No. 2526 Gunner K. H. Kavarana, 1st Battery, L Section—21.1.38.
No. 2581 Gunner F. G. Thomas, 1st Battery, L Section—21.1.38.
No. 2622 Gunner K. K. Pang, 1st Battery, L Section—21.1.38.
STRENGTH—INCREASE
No. 2933 Gunner D. E. Smith, 1st Battery, A Section, joined 14.1.38.
No. 2934 Sapper I. P. Tamworth, Engineer Co., joined 17.1.38.
No. 2985 Gunner W. C. Muir, 1st Battery, A Section, joined 18.1.38.
No. 2986 Trooper P. Snaith, M.G. Troop, joined 18.1.38.
No. 2987 Trooper C.E.W.M.D. Scott, M.G. Troop, joined 18.1.38.
No. 2988 Private P. Conolly, Armoured Car Section, joined 18.1.38.
No. 2989 Sapper N. Vargassoff, R.O. D.C., Contn. Sec., joined 18.12.37.
No. 2990 Private R. Quinlan, No. 2 (M.G.) Co., joined 20.1.38.
S. F. HEDGECOE,
Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

Cricket Team—Volunteers vs. Police
The following will represent the Corps on the Police ground on Sunday, 23rd January at 11 o'clock:—
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No. 3 (M.G.) Company Dinner
Company Dinner at H.Q.—8.00 p.m. for 8.15 p.m. on Friday, 23rd January. Reference Circular, "Black Shoes or Boots will be worn".

Sergeants' Mess Annual Dinner
The Sergeants' Mess Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 12th. All members are requested to keep this date free. Details will be circulated as soon as possible. Members who intend to be present should forward their names and the names of their guests to C.Q.M.S. Edwards at H.Q.

AFFILIATED UNIT NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D. CORPS
Lecture
The next lecture will be held on Monday, 24th January at the P.W.D. Offices at 5.30 p.m.

Appointment
Mrs. M. Austin is appointed Assistant Commandant—21.1.38.

Strength
The following members are struck off the strength having left the Colony w.e.f. 21.1.38.
Miss E. M. Hamon, Miss W. Hamon, Mrs. E. Hole, Mrs. D. M. Ratcliffe, Mrs. H. M. Morrison, Mrs. K. Campbell, Mrs. D. J. Rodwell, Mrs. E. M. Cuthbertson.
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GOVERNOR'S CUP CLASH FOR TO-DAY

CHINESE FEDERATION WILL BE WITHOUT BRAINS OF THEIR ATTACK

SAW'S OMISSION FROM ASSN. TEAM INEXCUSABLE

(By "OUTSIDE LEFT")

A very interesting football match should be witnessed at Caroline Hill this afternoon, when the Hong Kong Football Association and the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation clash in their return fixture in the Governor's Cup Competition, the latter having won the first match by 4 goals to 2.

The Chinese Federation will be without the services of Fung King-cheong, and it will be most interesting to see the result of their attack without the services of this brilliant schemer.

The Chinese are a well-balanced side, however, and with the exception of Hau Ching-to, on the left-wing, are comprised mostly of players from South China "A" and "B". The Chinese side to meet the Corinthians will most likely contain several of to-day's players, and this will probably be taken as an unofficial trial.

The Chinese have an excellent defence with Lee Tin-sang and Mak Shui-hon, in the full-back division, where they will find their hands very full in trying to cope with the fast and tricky Association team.

LEE KWOK WAI DROPPED

Lee Kwok-wai has been dropped from the left-half berth which has been given to Tse Kam-hung, a very promising player from South China "B".

Yeung Shui-yick (right-winger), Lai Shiu-wing (inside-right) and Chan Tak-fai (centre-forward),

H.K. BOYS' AMATEUR SOCCER LEAGUE FINAL TO-DAY

The final match in the Hong Kong Boys' Amateur Football League will take place this afternoon, on the Navy ground, at Causeway Bay, commencing at 4 p.m. when St. Joseph's College will clash with La Salle College.

will probably cause the most danger to the Association defence, although if I remember rightly, Chan Tak-fai is a poor schemer. Without Fung King-cheong in attendance, Lai Shiu-wing will probably feel "lost."

WILLIAMSON'S OMISSION

I cannot understand the Association's selection. Rowlands is probably the best back we have, while Pile and Costa should fit in well together in the defence, but the half-back line could have been strengthened by the inclusion of Williamson, of the Seaforths, who is one of our best halfbacks.

Saw's omission from the attack is inexcusable. The selectors must have been this clever little



Bright, of the Middlesex, above, will occupy the pivotal position in the Association's team this afternoon.

forward in action recently when he has been outstandingly good. Howlett's inclusion is not justified.

As far as I can see there will be little combination among the Association's forwards, most of whom play a different type of soccer to one another. Freshwater and McGuigan should form a useful right-wing combination but I cannot say the same of the left-wing.

On current form the Chinese should win or force a draw which will give them an extra point and the trophy for this season.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has intimated that he will be present.



The teams are:—

H.K.F.A. — Rowlands (Kowloon); Pile (Police), Costa (St. Joseph's); Evans (Kowloon), Bright (Middlesex), Bliss (Kowloon); Freshwater (Middlesex), MacGuigan (Seaforths), Knox (Kowloon), Howlett (Police), Bickford (Club).

H.K.C.A.A.F. — Tam Kwan-kong (S. China "B"); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Mak Shui-hon (S. China "A"); Yeung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); Lau Hing-choi (S. China "A"); and Tse Kam-hung (S. China "B"); Yeung Shui-yick (S. China "B"); Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A"); Chan Tak-fai (S. China "B"); Lau Chong-sang (S. China "B"); and Hau Ching-tau (Eastern). Reserves: Lee Tak-kee, Soong Ling-sing and Lo Wai-kuen (Eastern), Tay Quee-liang (S. China "B") and Chong Kim-fai (Kowloon Chinese).

FOOTBALL FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

TO-DAY

Governor's Cup Competition

C. Federation v H.K.F.A.
(Caroline Hill, 3:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Smyth.
Linesmen:—MacCormac and Reynolds.

Second Division

Engineers (C) v Club
(Causeway Bay, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Searles.
Seaforths v Kwong Wah
(Chatham Road, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Youngs.

Engineers v Kowloon
(Military, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—J. F. Silva.

Police v Eastern
(Club, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—Farr.

South China v 5th A.A. Bde. R.A.
(Club, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Havelaar.

Third Division (Hong Kong)

5th A.A. Bde. R.A. v Medicals
(Sookunpoo, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Edwards.

Engineers v Police
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—Barretto.
Powhattan v Ordnance
(Military, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—Godfrey.

Third Division (Kowloon)

20th Bty. R.A. v University
(Chatham Road, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—Hobson.

Seaforths v Kumaon Rifles
(Prince Edward Road, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Demmee.

Signals v P. S. A.
(Prince Edward Road, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—Hartley.

Boys' League (Final)

St. Joseph's v La Salle
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.).

TO-MORROW

First Division

Eastern v St. Joseph's
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.).

Third Division (Hong Kong)
5th A.A. Bde. R.A. v Service Corps
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—F. W. Smith.

Third Division (Kowloon)

P. S. A. v Air Force
(King's Park, 2:30 p.m.).
Referee:—Phillips.

20th Bty. R.A. v Signals
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.).
Referee:—F. G. Smith.



INTERESTING 3RD. DIVISION SOCCER DUEL

Medicals And 5th A.A. Bde. Clash To-day

The closing stages of the Third Division, of the Football League, has now been reached and after this week-end's games there remain but two postponed matches, but interest in both sections has been maintained till the end.

While the Portuguese Sporting Association have already won the Kowloon section, the Hong Kong section will depend on the result of to-day's game between the Medicals and the 5th A.A. Bde. Royal Artillery.

This is the former's last game and a draw will give them the honour, while a win for the Gunners will enable them to beat the Medicals by one point, provided they win their remaining two games.

The Ordnance, who are now second in the Hong Kong section, complete their fixtures to-day and should have no difficulty against the Powhattan. They will have secured 20 points and will depend on the Gunners dropping three points in their three remaining games to retain second position.

KEEN DUEL

In the Kowloon section the 24th Battery, R.A., and the Air Force are still fighting it out for second place, but the latter meet the Portuguese to-day and are not expected to win.

There appears to be some misunderstanding among Third Division teams regarding the method which will decide the championship and runners-up position; at an extra-ordinary general meeting, early in the season, the Hong Kong Football Association decided that home and away games would be played between the winners of the two sections to decide the championship, but for the runners-up position, the loser of these games would play the next team in the other section.

This year the Portuguese Sporting Association are to meet the Medicals (if the latter win the Hong Kong Section) in two games, but if the Portuguese lose, they will then play the Ordnance or the 5th A.A. Bde. (whoever is second), for the runners-up title, and vice-versa, if the Medicals lose, they will then play the team second in the Kowloon section.

The only game of any interest in the Second Division is the encounter between South China and the 5th A.A. Bde., R.A. and this should result in a win for the Gunners, who are still in a challenging position for the Second Division title. Kwong Wah, who returned to form last week, should easily account for the Seaforths.

MISS MARIE SMITH AS HALF-BACK!

RIDING BOY THROWN AT VALLEY

(By "RAPIER")

Yet another accident occurred during training for the Annual Race Meeting this morning at the Valley, but happily without any serious effect. This time Ah Chi, Chinese riding boy of Marber Stable was concerned.

He took out Urber, one of this year's subscription ponies belonging to Mr. B. W. Bradbury, and went out for a trial gallop in company with Daddy Long-Legs, with Mr. S. L. Yuen on top. When nearing the 1½-mile post, Ah Chi was heavily thrown. At first it was thought that he might have suffered serious injury, as he failed to move for sometime, but he then got up and walked back to the stable unassisted.

The pony bolted back to the stable and was not seen out again.

H.K. BANK XV MEET REST OF CLUB TO-DAY

Rugby Season Nears
The End

The Rugby season is fast drawing to a close and this afternoon the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank fifteen will meet a Club fifteen in their annual match, commencing at 2.45 p.m., while in the match following, the Navy will field a side against the Army, starting at 4 p.m.

Dr. J. A. R. Selby will referee the first game and the Bank and Club sides have been selected as follows:—

Hong Kong Bank:—B. O'D. Paterson; F. M. Thompson, M. G. Carruthers, E. Taverner, L. J. A. Fielden; A. H. R. Butcher (Captain), J. B. Martin; M. S. Banner, H. A. Browning, J. S. Dunnett; M. F. L. Haymes, P. D. Munro; R. E. H. Nelson, R. G. L. Oliphant and K. A. Watson.

Club:—J. R. Henderson; E. M. Watts, M. W. MacGrath, W. E. Grieve (Captain), H. van Leeuwen; C. W. Lyle; R. Rutherford; E. W. Stout, T. H. Pratt, A. W. Holden; B. Hynes, T. Swan; J. K. Birt, K. H. C. White and A. G. Dalziel.

C.B.A. TO MEET KUMAONS IN HOCKEY CLASH TO-MORROW

The following will represent the Central British Association against the Kumaon Rifles in a friendly hockey fixture to-morrow at King's Park, at 10 a.m. sharp.

S. MacNider; W. Stoker, Taylor; D. Blake, N. Whitley, E. Fowler; D. T. Smith, S. Fowler, G. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley and V. Bond.

K.I.T.C. v. RAJPUTS TO-MORROW

The following have been chosen to represent the K. I. T. C. (Civilian Champions) against the Rajputana Rifles (Army Champions) in the Final of the Inter-Section Hockey Tournament, to be played at the King's Park, at 4.15 p.m. to-morrow:—

K. Ramzan; Attar Singh and Karnail Singh; J. P. Noronha, J. M. Pinto and M. R. Malik; D. J. Noronha; A. P. Sousa, Pyara Singh, C. Pinto and J. M. Singh.

Reserve:—K. Hussain.



Much surprise has been occasioned by the transfer of Miss Marie Smith, above, as a half-back instead of a forward, for to-day's Ladies' Seven-a-Side Hockey Tournament.

MIXED DOUBLES BADMINTON FREE LANCES TROUNCED

In the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night, Recreio "A" beat St. Andrew's by 8 sets to 1, at King's Park, while at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium the University beat the Free Lances by 7 sets to 2.

The results of the two matches were as follows:

RECREIO "A" BEAT ST. ANDREW'S

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A")
beat W. C. Choy and Mrs. F. H. Stokes 21—18
beat F. V. Wong and Miss F. Wong 21—8
beat H. Kew and Miss M. Churn 21—7
J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")
beat Choy and Mrs. Stokes 21—17
beat Wong and Miss Wong 21—6
beat Kew and Miss Churn 21—12
L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")
lost to Choy and Mrs. Stokes 12—21
beat Wong and Miss Wong 21—10
beat Kew and Miss Churn 21—5

FREE LANCES LOSE TO UNIVERSITY

K. L. Yong and Miss J. Anderson (University)
beat J. L. Anderson and Miss Griffiths 23—30
lost to A. L. Fisher and Miss N. Eardley 18—21
beat Helpon and Miss McCaw 21—7
P. K. Hui and Miss J. Choa (University)
lost to Anderson and Miss Griffiths 7—21
beat Fisher and Miss Eardley 21—14
beat Helpon and Miss McCaw 24—23
T. F. Yong and Miss Ulian Khoo (University)
beat Anderson and Miss Griffiths 21—12
beat Fisher and Miss Eardley 21—9
beat Helpon and Miss McCaw 21—3

"Y" LADIES SURPRISE IN TO-DAY'S SEVEN- A-SIDE TOURNAMENT H.K. LADIES MAKING BIG BID TO RETAIN THE PEARCE CUP

(By "STICKS")

THE result of the Ladies' Seven-a-Side Hockey Tournament, which takes place this afternoon on the Central British School ground, commencing at 2.45 p.m., is very open in view of the team selections which were made during the last two or three days.

The Selection of the "Y" Ladies' side, one of the strongest teams, has caused a minor sensation as Miss Marie Smith, one of the finest forwards in the Colony, has been relegated to a half-back position, while Miss Marjorie Westcott, one of the fastest girls playing hockey to-day and the Colony left-winger, has been dropped altogether!

The Hong Kong Ladies, who are holders of the Pearce Cup trophy, have selected a formidable side and are obviously making a very strong bid to retain the trophy. Miss Gray should make an excellent goal-kicking back, while their intermediate line is a powerful one, comprising Miss J. Dalziel, Miss B. Pope and Miss F. Marsh.

As I stated above, the "Y" Ladies have made the mistake of taking their best forward out of their attack in order to strengthen their intermediate line, and their chances of victory to-day are very obscure.

St. Andrew's Ladies have a fairly strong team, the forward line being their strongest department, although Miss Jessie Wong should prove very troublesome in defence.

It will be interesting to see how far the Central British School progress. They should beat the Seaforth Ladies, but whether they will account for St. Andrew's Ladies in the semi-final round, is difficult to forecast.

THE TEAMS

The following are the teams:—
C.B.A. Ladies:—Miss D. Moss; Miss B. Parsons and Miss P. Whitley; Miss I. Woolley; Miss S. Beat, Mrs. M. White and Miss D. Hunt.
C.B. School:—Miss B. Fallowfield; Miss D. Watson; Miss N. Witchell and

DRAW FOR THE SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

Recreio Ladies v H.K. Ladies
C.B.A. Ladies v "Y" Ladies
C.B. School v Seaforth Ladies
St. Andrew's receive bye.

Miss J. Booker; Miss D. McCaw, Miss M. Booker and Miss M. Shand.

H.K. Ladies:—Miss E. M. Gray; Miss J. Dalziel, Miss B. Pope and Miss F. Marsh; Miss M. Smalley, Mrs. Scrimgeour and Miss Purves.

Recreio Ladies:—Miss M. Ribeiro; Miss O. Botelho, Miss M. Silva and Miss M. Gonsalves; Miss M. Remedios, Miss A. Alves and Miss M. Roza.

St. Andrew's Ladies:—Miss G. White; Miss L. Cross, Miss J. Wong and Miss H. Reid; Miss E. Churn, Miss F. Wong and Miss P. Gittins.

"Y" Ladies:—Miss A. Fowler; Mrs. S. Gardner, Miss M. McCaw and Miss M. Smith; Miss V. Bradbury, Mrs. O. Burnett and Mrs. M. Read.

Seaforths Ladies:—Mrs. McLeod; Mrs. MacKay, Mrs. Jehu, Mrs. Gunby; Mrs. Wilkes, Mrs. Ackroyd and Mrs. Wilmet.

At a recent meeting of the Confucius Table Tennis Association it was decided to make arrangements for the forthcoming visit of the two Hungarian table tennis champions. A sub-committee has been formed to arrange exhibition matches.

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68 ENTRIES FOR THE LINCOLNSHIRE

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE CRICKET

C. C. C. AND NAVY JUNIORS TO MEET

(By "ADREM")

The most interesting League cricket match in both Divisions, so far as I can see, will be the clash between the two teams with the finest Junior record, Craigengower and Navy.

Whereas the former side are extraordinarily powerful in batting, the Navy attack, with Jeffery as the spearhead, has been consistently effective and a keen struggle between bowler and batsman, is likely to be the outcome.

In the First Division, Civil Service entertain the K.C.C. and will probably be beaten. In many respects these two teams are very similar. Both have one stock bowler who is liable to go right through a team—Baker and Lee—but the remainder of their attacks, comprise one steady man each and a variety of somewhat erratic, but potential wicket-getters.

Both teams have four or five solid batsmen but are very prone to a collapse if two or more of these fail. I think K.C.C. will win because an entirely new feeling has come over them and this new spirit should carry them through.

LEADERS SHOULD WIN

I.R.C., present League leaders, with their fine all round balance, should encounter little difficulty in defeating Army, despite the fact that the game will be played on matting. Their batsmen are right on form just now, while Minu, will spin on anything and Abbas should find the fast matting to his liking.

C.C.C. are at home to Navy and for that reason, I favour them to win. The sailors will find the confined Valley ground vastly different to their wide open spaces at King's Park and will probably take too long to settle down. H.K.C.C. should have little difficulty against the Recreio, provided E. L. Gosano, Rodrigues, Prata or Soares, collectively, do not decide to do something really big.

SECOND DIVISION

Recreio are at home to Army "B". The latter knocked up a huge score against Club last week, chiefly due to Cpl. Webb's century. On the other hand Alves and L. G. Gosano skittled out Army "A", for 28. In view of the fact that Army "A" are a good deal stronger than Army "B" and that the Portuguese team, on their own territory, are always extremely dangerous, a Recreio victory is indicated.

K.C.C., despite their recent lean patch, should beat C.S.C.C., and Army "A" should have the better of I.R.C. but I foresee a very keen tussle resulting from the fixture between University and Police at Pokfulam in which a win one way too much for even this hardened prize.

SUNDAY'S GAME

A powerful Volunteer team will meet the Police, in a whole-day game on Sunday and although, on paper, they should have little difficulty in winning, there is every likelihood that the celebrated Police hospitality may prove a shade



too much for every this hardened gang.

PROGRAMME

First Division	
C. S. C. C.	v K. C. C.
Army	v I. R. C.
C. C. C.	v Navy
H. K. C. C.	v C. de R.
Second Division	
C. de R.	v Army "B"
K. C. C.	v C. S. C. C.
I. R. C.	v Army "A"
Navy	v C. C. C.
University	v P. R. C.
Some of the teams:—	
H.K.C.C. 1st XI:—A. W. Hayward (Capt.), F. H. Stokes, J. H. Fox, F. Marshall, R. D. Allen, L. D. Kilbee, L. T. Ride, H. Owen Hughes, T. A. Pearce, T. E. Pearce, M. F. L. Haymes.	
Army 1st XI:—Capt. Mackintosh-Walker, Major Rawstorne, Major Murray, Bndsmn. Cheney, Major Eynon, Lieut. Godby, Lieut. Barron, Lieut. Beadnell, Lieut. Weedon, Lieut. Man, Pte. Hatfield.	
K.C.C. 1st XI:—D. J. N. Anderson (Capt.), G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, S. Jex, B. D. Lay, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar, G. F. O'Brien and F. Zimmern. Umpire, J. P. Robinson.	
K.C.C. 2nd XI:—A. A. Dand (Capt.), R. Baldwin, W. Bambro, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, H. Brokenshire, G. A. V. Hall, J. R. Luke, W. L. McKenzie, W. Mulcahy and C. B. R. Sargent. Umpire, H. Overy.	
C. de R. 1st XI:—E. L. Gosano (Capt.), A. M. Rodrigues, A. M. Prata, W. A. Reed, P. M. N. da Silva, Jr., A. P. Pereira, H. L. Ozorio, E. M. L. Soares, J. E. Noronha, N. Beltrao and A. N. Othier.	
C. de R. 2nd XI:—F. H. Carvalho (Capt.), E. A. R. Alves, L. G. Gosano, A. E. Noronha, C. P. Basto, A. V. Gosano, R. A. Marques, J. Soares, H. M. Xavier, M. Mendonca and A. A. Lopes.	
C.C.C. 1st XI:—E. Zimmern (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. R. H. Esmail, A. Gobind, A. B. Hamson, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, F. K. Lee, G. Souza, J. L. Youngsaye and F. R. Zimmern.	

VOLUNTEERS' ELEVEN

W. L. McKenzie (Capt.), Ainslie, D. J. N. Anderson, K. M. Baxter, E. C. Fincher, J. H. Fox, R. H. Griffiths, N. A. E. Mackay, T. A. Madar, G. Stuz and W. Stoker.

P. C. Leung, badminton player of the Chinese Recreation Club, has taken up aviation again and spends most of his time flying at Kai Tak.

Kl. Ramzan, Interport hockey goalkeeper, who formerly played for the Moslem Football Club, played in goal for the Kowloon Football Club last week.

QUALITY QUITE WELL REPRESENTED

CITY AND SUBURBAN FAILS TO FILL

(By "WATCHMAN")

London, December 21.

IT is curious to mark the fluctuations which attend the fortunes of some of the most important races. Years ago the City and Suburban at Epsom firmly held its place among the most attractive of the spring handicaps and was responsible for a large amount of ante-post betting.

Nowadays, the race does not come in for much attention in a betting sense until the date of running, though it still attracts big crowds to the spring meeting at Epsom.

This year it has failed to attract a sufficient number of entries, with the result that the race did not fill on Tuesday and will be re-opened to close in February. The race carries £1,500 in added money, the second receiving £200 and the third £100 out of the stakes.

It has a sweepstakes of £30 each, with two declarations of forfeit of £5 and £15 respectively. It was announced that if 40 entries were not received the race was to be at the option of the executive.

POPULARITY OF THE "LINCOLN"

By way of contrast with the failure of the Epsom event, the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run on March 23, has produced the excellent entry of 68, as against 52 last year. The weights will not be published until January 27. The race is for a sweepstakes of £20 each, but there is only £1,000 in added money.

This handicap is still attractive enough to prevent the racecourse at Lincoln from being completely unprofitable. It owes its popularity largely to the fact that it is the first of the season's important handicaps. Thus it is invariably one of the most discussed races of the year.

That the Lincolnshire Handicap is coupled with the Grand National in spring doubles is another reason for its continued prosperity. A glance at the entry, published on this page, shows that quality is quite well represented.

DAYTONA NOT ENTERED

Those who expected Daytona to be entered here will be disappoint-



ed, but Dan Bulger appears among the nominations, and in spite of his failure in the Cambridgeshire he is likely to become a strong public fancy.

The Cambridgeshire winner has seldom carried off the Lincoln race in the following seasons, but Artist's Prince has now been given the opportunity of accomplishing this double. Among other Cambridgeshire horses engaged at Lincoln are Zaimis, Laureate II, Thackerston, Squadron Castle, Celestial Way, and Allegiance.

Miss Dorothy Paget has entered Wyndham and her recent purchase Marmaduke Jinks, the winner of the corresponding race last season. The former of these is to be trained in future by Frank Butters.

THE HOUR AMONG NOMINATIONS

An interesting nomination is The Hour, who at this time last year was being talked about a good deal in connection with the Derby. He ran in only three races last season and failed to add to his excellent record at two years old.

Jack Jarvis was unable to give Sir Laurence Philipps's colt another race after his moderate effort in the Derby, The Hour having been stumped up by the firm ground at Epsom.

Another good-class three-year-old trained by Jack Jarvis is entered for the Lincoln, this being Mr. Edward Esmond's Phakos, who though a smart two-year-old, was unable to win a race last season. Lord Rosebery's Tweedledee, from the same stable, also appears in the Lincoln race.

HOLMES AGAIN SURREY CAPTAIN

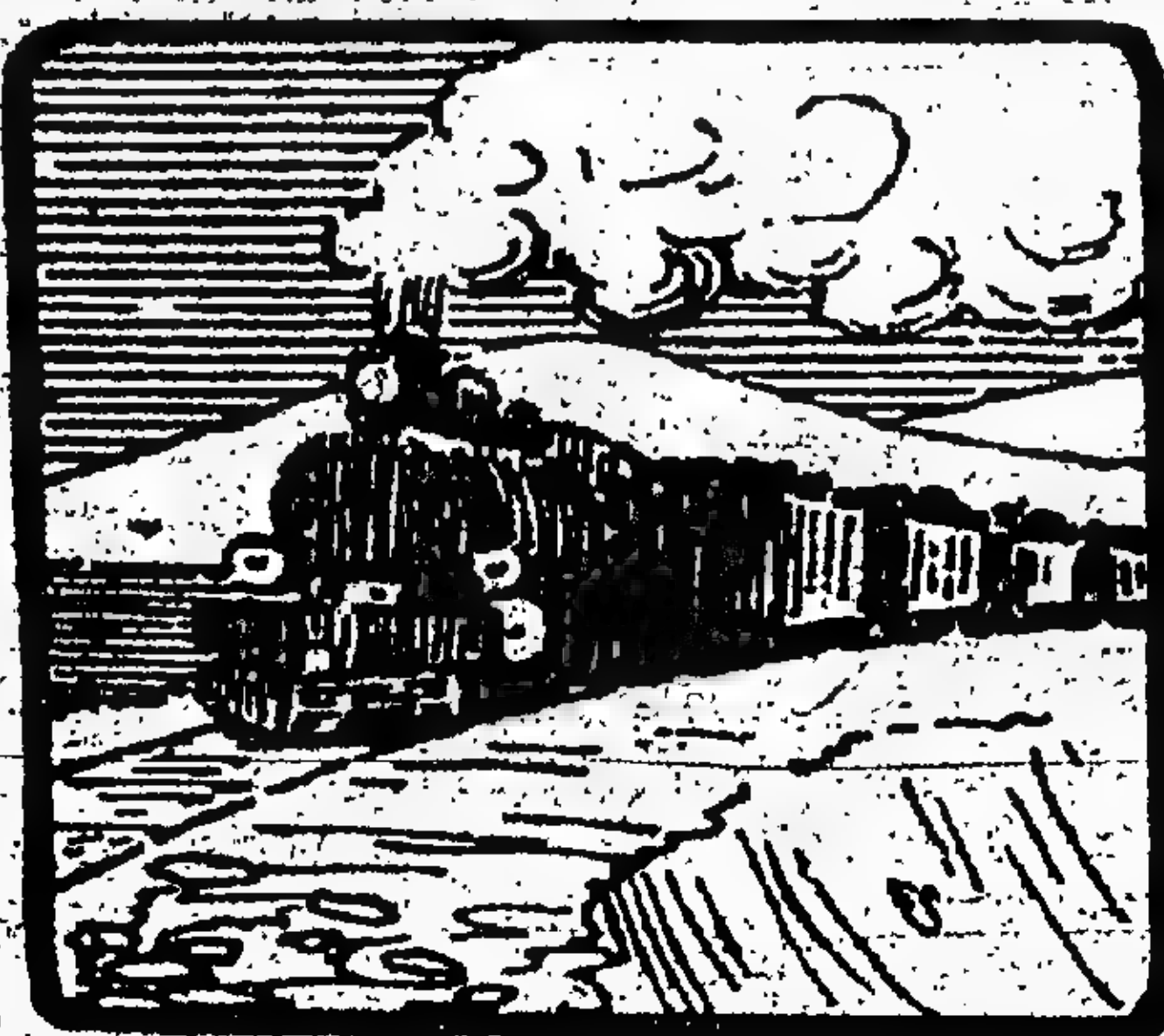
London, December 21.—E. R. T. Holmes was yesterday re-elected to and accepted the captaincy of Surrey. H. M. Garland Wells will continue as vice-captain. Holmes was first appointed captain in 1934.

Sgt. Sullivan, who has not been playing football for some time, turned out for the Police seniors against the Seafords last week and gave a very creditable performance.

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THREE SOFTBALL LEAGUE GAMES FOR TO-MORROW

ERNIE HEARTHER TO ACT AS UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF IN INTERNATIONAL SERIES TO-DAY'S "SPOTLIGHT"

(By "SHORTSTOP")

WITH five more games to complete the schedule of the Softball League, it is unlikely that all the games will be played-off this week-end. There will only be three games to-morrow. The Hong Kong Baseball Club will play a "double-header" at the Filipino Club, first against the Canadian Chinese and later with the C.B.A. On the C.B.A. ground, the English Forum will meet the Filipino Club at 11.30 a.m.

As most members of No. 3, Machine Gun Company will be at Stonecutter's Island, on Sunday, for shooting practice, it looks very much as if they will not be able to finish their League schedule before the International Series begin.



MIDDLESEX DEFEAT D.B.S.

FRIENDLY CRICKET

The Diocesan Boys' School lost to the Middlesex Regiment on the School ground, in a friendly cricket match, by 86 runs.

Scores:

Middlesex Regiment:—164 (Pt. Hatfield 57, Major Newnham 24, Lt. Man 24, Pte Jones 20, Pte. Connor 17, Pte. Coombs 11; C. B. R. Sargent 4 for 65, D. Crary 2 for 31; E. Fisher 2 for 47).

Diocesan Boys' School:—79 (C. B. R. Sargent 22, E. Fisher 15, A. Prata 11; Hatfield 5 for 12 and Coombs 3 for 20).

BILLIARD AND SNOOKER LEAGUES

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

The following are the League Tables of the Steel and Coulson Billiards and Snooker Leagues to date:

BILLIARDS League Table

	P.	F.	A.
Garrison Serpts. Mess	10	25	5
C. & P.Os. Mess	10	20	10
Dockyard Recreation Club	10	18	12
Sgts. Mess Seaforths	8	10	14
R.E. W.O. & Sgts. Mess ..	10	6	24
Dockyard Police	8	5	19
Highest Break. Address 55 (Garrison Serpts. Mess).			

SNOOKER League Table

	P.	F.	A.
Garrison Sgts. Mess	10	28	2
C. & P.Os. Mess	10	21	9
Sgts. Mess Seaforths	8	11	13
R.E. W.O. & Sgts. Mess ..	10	10	20
Dockyard Police	8	7	17
Dockyard Recreation Club	10	7	23
Highest Break. Connor 25. (Garrison Serpts. Mess).			

The official schedule for the preliminaries of the International Softball Series will be as follows: Hong Kong versus Philippine Islands, at 10 a.m.; Britain versus China "A", at 11.30 a.m., on the C.B.A. ground, on Sunday, January 30.

On the following day, which is a holiday, China "B" will meet India at 10 a.m., followed by a clash between Portugal and U.S.A.

UMPIRE IN CHIEF

Ernie Hearther, old time hall player, has consented to act as Umpire-in-Chief for all the games in this Series and players will have an impartial and competent umpire to make the decisions behind the bat.

"SPOTLIGHT"

An architect and aviator is also a member of the Canadian Chinese Club. He is William S. Ing, third baseman, who was born 30 years ago on a farm near Kongmoon, Kwangtung.

At the early age of four, his parents took him to Canada, and Bill resided there for 22 years before returning to his native land.

Bill attended school at Toronto, and graduated from the University of Toronto, in 1929, majoring in architecture. In High School, Bill took part in basketball and football, but he says he "wasn't such great shucks" at those sports. He just enjoyed playing the game.

AN AVIATOR

In college, he took part in inter-faculty sports, and later with the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in basketball, which was his forte. He also turned out for the rowing crew at college, and was seen as coxswain.

After his graduation from college, Bill took up aviation from 1929 to '33, joining the Toronto Flying Club, passing the exams for a private license. He took up flying merely for sport and considers it a rich man's past-time in China, where "gas" is so expensive.

Bill played very little Softball in Canada, but he knows baseball, and fans can always hear his chattering on the diamond, which is a great help to his team mates.

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INTERNATIONAL 6-METRE AND "Q" CLASS YACHTS

London, December 21.

At a dinner given by the International 6-Metre and Solent "Q" Class, under the chairmanship of Mr. Philip Runciman, it was announced that the International 6-Metre Class, which mustered seven strong at the Coronation Regatta in Torbay, will number nine in 1938, with prospects of two new boats from Burnham-on-Crouch and two more from the Clyde.

In the Solent "Q" Class nine boats competed during the past season, and for the coming season it is hoped that the fleet will number 15, including the 7-metre yacht Heroine, one of the original boats which raced when the class was founded in 1928.

MISS DOROTHY PAGET'S HORSES

Miss Dorothy Paget is not renewing the lease of her racing establishment at Ogbourne, St. Andrews, and her horses trained there will change quarters. Frank Butters will train Wyndham and Jubilee Day, and the rest of the string go to Epsom, to be trained by Walter Nightingall.

L. BABROW SAILS FOR ENGLAND

Capetown, December 18.—Louis Babrow, South Africa's centre-threequarter who became famous by his outstanding performances in Australia and New Zealand, has left here for England. He will play for Guy's Hospital.

Benny Caplan (St. George's) and Frank McCudden (Glasgow) will meet over 12 rounds in an eliminating contest for the British featherweight championship at the National Sporting Club's tournament at Earl's Court, London, on January 3. The holder is Johnny McGrory (Glasgow).

Excerpts From Gilbert And Sullivan

12 noon.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra & Leslie Hutchison.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal & Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Gracie Fields.
1.13 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections.
My South Sea Sweetheart.
Blue Sparks.... Masters' Hawaiians.
An Old Hawaiian Guitar.
Swanee Moon.
Guitar Solo by Len Fillis.
Haleiwa.
Papalina Lahilahi..... Ray Kinney with Dick McIntire's Harmony Hawaiians.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast & Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Excerpts.
"Iolanthe"—Overture.... Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargeant.
"Patience"—
Sad is that Woman's Lot.
Bertha Lewis.
Turn, Oh, Turn in this direction—Chorus of girls.
A Magnet hung in a hardware shop.... Leslie Ranas with Chorus of girls.
1.56 p.m.—Variety.

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A Spot of Fishing (Homorous sketches).... Clapham & Dwyer.
I'm a Little Prairie Flower (Fox-trot).... Billy Cotton & his Band.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra.
Slavonic Dances—
No. 10 in E Minor.
No. 12 in D Flat Major.
No. 14 and 15 (Dvorak).
7.15 p.m.—Kreiser.
Serenade Espagnole (Glazounov).
Jota (De Falla).
Libeslud.
Liebesfreud (Kreiser).
7.30 p.m.—Variety.
Lovely to Look At (from "Roberta").
When I grow too Old to Dream (from "The Night is Young")
Irene Dunnig (Soprano).
A More or Less Volga Boat Song.

Tricky Little Tune.
Major and Minor.
Moonlight on the Waterfall.
The Little Boy that Santa Claus Forgot.... Billy Cotton and His Band.
The Love Bug Will Bite You.
Julietta..... Max Miller.
Ever So Quiet.
At The Battle of Waterloo.
Bobbie Comber.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
8.03 p.m.—Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.
Samson and Delilah—Softly Awakes My Heart.
Serenade (Toselli).
My Dream Memory (Theme Song "Street Girl").
Give me Back my Heart (from "Symphony in two Flats").
Amoretten Tanz (Waltz) (Gungl).
8.20 p.m.—London Relay — "Empire Variety Theatre." The Bill includes Flotsam and Jetsam, and Dave Burns as Compere, supported by Van Strated and his Band.
8.50 p.m.—London Relay — "London Log".
9 p.m.—Miliza Korjus and Egon Petri (piano).
Shadow Song (Dinorah).
The Doll's Song (Tales of Hoffman).
Soprano.
Concert Study in D Flat Major (Liszt).
Indianisches Tagesbuch (Busoni).
Egon Petri.
La Villanelle (Dell' Acqua).
Thousand and One Nights Waltz (Strauss)..... Soprano.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
12 midnight—Close down.

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G.M.T.
8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'London Log'.
8.25 a.m.—Popular Orchestral Concert.
9.15 a.m.—'All Kinds of People—2: Thirty-two Years a Butler'.
9.30 a.m.—Recital by Peter Dawson.
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—

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GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'The Pig and Whistle'.
11.15 a.m.—Isidore Schwiller and his String Sextet.
11.45 a.m.—Programme of Gramophone Records.
12.20 p.m.—'Empire Variety Theatre'.
12.50 p.m.—'London Log'.
1.00 p.m.—The Commodore Grand Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Times Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
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BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Double Dummy

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: I played the inclosed hand last night in a duplicate game, going down one trick at my four club doubled contract. Later, my partner insisted that I could have made it. At a matter of fact, on examination of all four hands I saw that he was right, but it seemed to me that his suggested play was "double dummy." I give you the hand and the bidding:

North, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—A 10 9 3
H.—7
D.—A Q 6 4
C.—Q J 10 5

WEST

S.—8 6 2
H.—10 9 8 5 4 3
D.—7 3 2
C.—K

EAST

S.—J 7 5 4
H.—K Q 2
D.—K J 10
C.—A 9 6

SOUTH

S.—K Q
H.—A J 6
D.—9 8 5
C.—8 7 4 3 2

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1-diamond	1-no trump	2-clubs	Pass
3-clubs	Pass	3-no trump	Pass
Pass	Double	Pass	Pass
4-clubs	Double	Pass	Pass
Pass			

"Probably the bidding was sour, but let that go. At the moment we are fighting only about the play.

"West opened the ten of hearts, East played the queen. How would you play from that point? I will not confuse the issue by given my own play or the line suggested by partner, but will merely mention that I lost one diamond trick and three clubs, the dummy being ruffed down to a point where East's nine of clubs finally became high.

"Yours very truly,

"R.J.B., St. Louis, Mo."

The play of this hand is strongly indicated by the bidding. After taking East's heart queen with the ace, I would lead a low club toward dummy. When the king appeared from West I would take it for granted not only that I would find all the other vital honours on my

right but that the club suit itself might not break two and two.

West's return after the club king undoubtedly was a diamond. *This I certainly would not finesse!* I would play dummy's ace, then would cash the king and queen of spades to get them out of the way. My next play would be a second trump. East, on winning with the ace, would face this situation:

NORTH

S.—A 10
H.—None
D.—Q 6 4
C.—J 10

WEST

S.—8
H.—9 8 5 4
D.—3 2
C.—None

EAST

S.—J 7
H.—K 2
D.—K J
C.—9

SOUTH

S.—None
H.—J 6
D.—9 8
C.—8 7 4

The opponents having taken two tricks, I would need six out of the remaining seven, and East would have to give them to me. Obviously, he could not lead a spade into dummy's tenace. The high heart lead would be ruffed in dummy, and my jack would become established. On a low heart lead I would play the jack, ruff the low one, and chuck one of my diamonds on the spade ace. For East to lead the diamond king would establish the diamond queen and present me with the remaining tricks. Therefore the only fairly safe exit East could make would be the club. Winning in dummy, I would discard a diamond on the spade ace, ruff the spade, and lead my remaining diamond, then any play East made would hand me the balance.

Obviously, when East won with the club king and played a diamond, you played dummy's queen and that was your undoing.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the correct opening bid on the following hand:
S.—A Q J 7 H.—9 8 D.—K J 10

8 6 C.—8 6?

Answer: One diamond.

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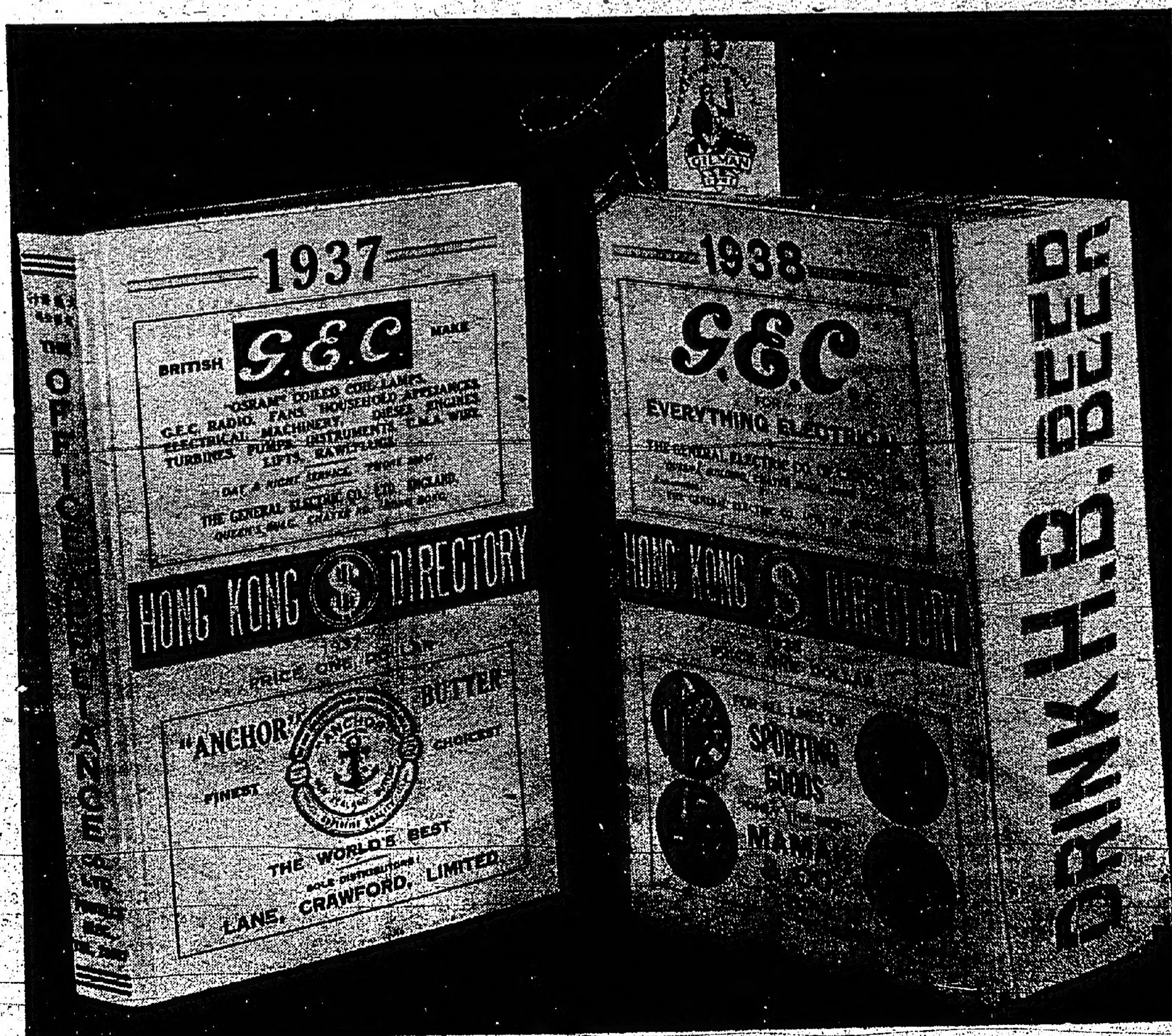
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BOMB FOUND IN WATER NEAR HIYE MARU

Seattle, To-day.

United States Customs agents yesterday took a bomb from the water near the spot where the Japanese steamer "Hiye Maru" was moored yesterday.

It will be recalled that previously the police arrested a man who said that a time bomb had been placed on board the ship.

Earlier, a friend of the arrested man had been found dead in the water near the vessel.—Reuter.

TOMMY FARR WEIGHS IN FOR BIG BOUT

New York, To-day.

James J. Braddock, former world heavyweight boxing champion, who was dethroned by the "Brown Bomber," Joe Louis, a year ago, and who was scheduled to meet Tommy Farr, of Tonypandy, last night at Madison Square Garden, in a world eliminating bout, weighed in last

ARMED MAN CAUGHT ON THE N.T. BORDER

An important capture was made by a police border patrol in the New Territories early yesterday morning, when they arrested two men who had just come across the border from Chinese territory.

One of them was armed with a revolver and carried eight rounds of ammunition.

It is suspected that the pair were bent upon armed robbery.

They were taken to Sheungshui Police Station and were expected to appear to-day in the District Court at Taipo.

Police believe that most of the armed robberies carried out in the New Territories have been perpetrated by marauders from Chinese territory.

night at 14 stone 3 lb., while the Briton weighed in at 14 stone 11 lb.

Both boxers were in excellent shape, and after the weighing-in ceremony, General Phelan, President of the New York State Boxing Commission, interpreted the "no-foul" rule to Tommy Farr.—Reuter.

The winner of the bout will probably meet the winner of the Joe Louis-Max Schmeling world title bout, which is scheduled for next June.



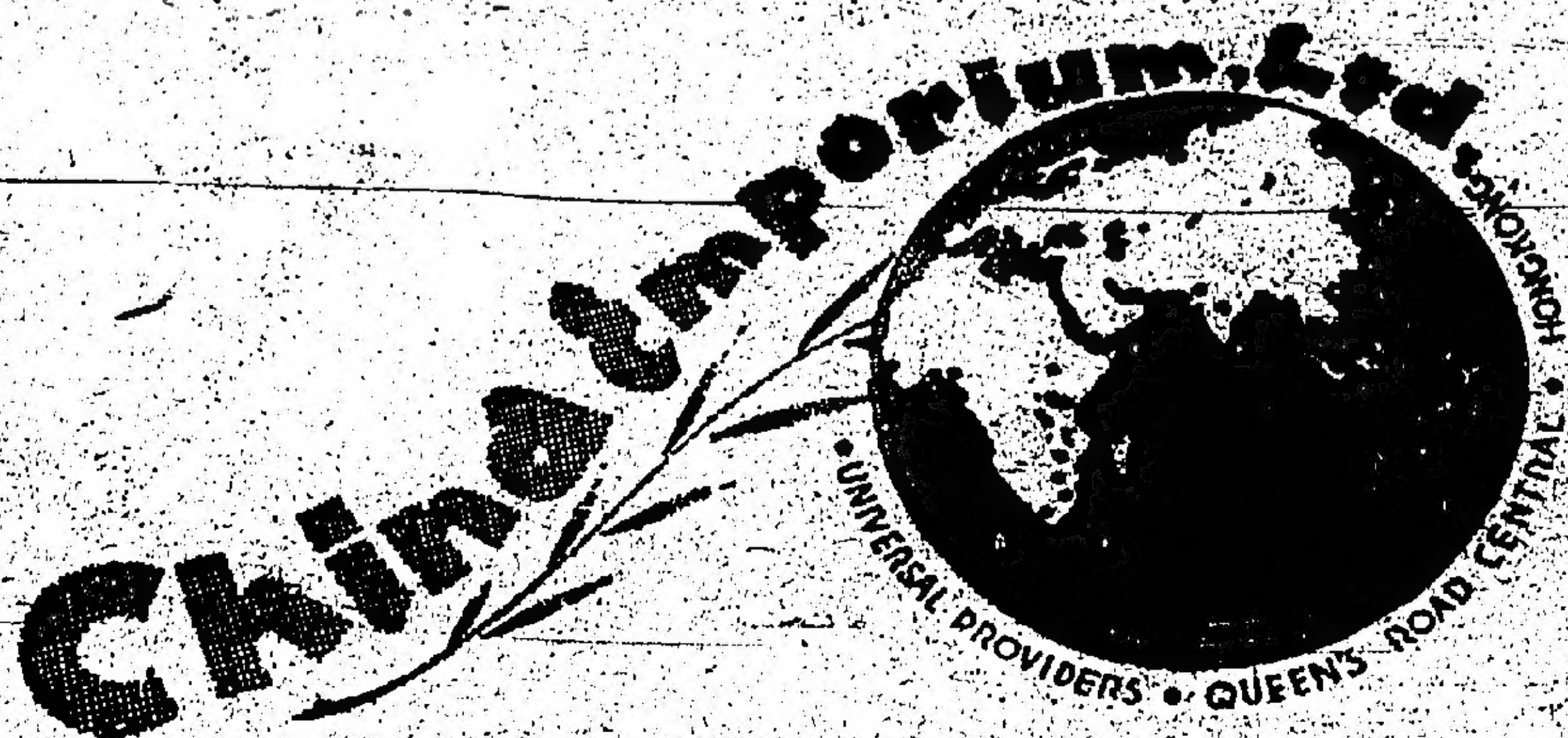
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CHINA PREPARING FOR HSUCHOW BATTLE

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transformed into strong defence positions, and the civil population of the town has been ordered to evacuate, while able-bodied civilians are being trained in the use of arms so that they can reinforce the regulars.—Trans-Ocean.

ADVANCE SLOWED DOWN

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese advance northward along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway has slowed down as the result of two days of heavy fighting, according to Chinese reports.

The reports add that the lull in the northern section of the railway continues owing to bad weather.

The Japanese claim that the Chinese "Ironsides," who on Jan. 17 were reported to be six miles from Hangchow, have now retreated.—Reuter.

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The funeral of the late Master Gunner, H. C. Hall Royal Artillery, who died early this morning in the Military Hospital, will take place this afternoon at 3.30 p.m. at the Stubbs Road entrance of the Colonial Cemetery.

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